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Installation

Installation Overview

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Marine Corps Base Camp S. D. Butler
<http://www.mcbbutler.usmc.mil>

OKINAWA Keystone of the Pacific

Location: 300 miles due south of mainland Japan.

Perhaps the most unique characteristic about Okinawa is that unlike most duty stations, MCB Camp Butler is physically separated throughout the island into a number of different camps. For example, the distance between the northernmost camp, Camp Gonsalves, and the southernmost camp, Camp Kinser, is over 50 miles...but that's only if you're flying in a straight line. On the winding roads of Okinawa, the distance is considerably longer. As with Camp Gonsalves and Camp Kinser, all the Marine Corps camps on the island and Camp Fuji on mainland Japan, fall under the one title, MCB Camp Butler. Despite the camps' physical isolation from each other, convenient services and facilities make them all virtually a mini-base of their own. Except Camp Gonsalves, each has an exchange outlet, ample concessions, clubs, a USO facility, library, bowling alley, theater, gymnasium, chapel, bank, post office, dining facilities and cash sales outlet. While each camp certainly offers numerous conveniences, some Marines and their families may want to explore bases beyond their work or home. Perhaps the easiest way to get from camp to camp is through the free intra-base shuttle bus service, which runs Monday through Friday. On weekends a liberty bus is available. Although Marines here work in a foreign country, they'll soon find that the general arrangements and expectations aren't much different than any other duty station in the states. Annual training requirements such as physical fitness tests, rifle and pistol qualification, and gas chamber orientation are as familiar to the Okinawa Marines as they are to any other leatherneck. On the more unique aspect of working here, Okinawa encourages a strong blend of interservice harmony. Soldiers are assigned to several commands here, including Torii Station and Fort Buckner. In addition to 7th Fleet obligations, many Sailors work with Marine units at White Beach and Camp Shields; and thousands of airmen work at Kadena Air Base. If you were living on-base, it wouldn't be at all unusual if the neighbor on your left were a Sailor, the one on your right a Soldier and the one behind you an Airman. Also, since many of the

different services' facilities are conveniently close, it wouldn't be strange if you spent Sunday morning at a Navy chapel, afternoon mowing your lawn on a Marine base, and evening shopping for toys at Kadena Air Base's large toy outlet. In fact, you might even top it all off by renting a few movies from a Japanese video store. Whether you only spend six months here as part of the Unit Deployment Program, or three years here on an accompanied tour, you will soon learn to appreciate and take advantage of this unique, mixed service environment, as you quickly begin to understand the unusual distinction of serving at the "tip of the spear."

Major Command:

Marine Corps Base, III Marine Expeditionary Force (1st Marine Aircraft Wing, 3d Marine Division and 3d Force Service Support Group), MCAS Futenma, Fleet Activities (Okinawa), Naval Hospital, Naval Dental Center and Mobile Construction Battalion (Sea Bees).

Mission:

A Marine Air Ground Task Force is an interwoven, combined and balanced airborne and ground force, completely supported by its own combat service support element. The commanding general of each Fleet Marine Force can organize a MAGTF into various spheres of responsibility as the assigned mission dictates. A MAGTF can be quickly deployed by amphibious assault shipping, aircraft, maritime prepositioning force ships and military sealift command ships. Although variances in the mission and forces assigned to a MAGTF make each one unique to some degree, all MAGTFs train and fight from the same standard approaches to organization, planning and operations. Four main elements comprise the MAGTF: command element, air combat element, ground combat element and combat service support element.

CALLING OKINAWA

The bases on Okinawa are now direct call capable. This method, however, does not apply to off-base housing.

To take advantage of this direct dial, the person placing the call from outside of Japan must start by dialing an international prefix. This prefix for the person calling from the United States is 011. The next set of numbers is used to route the call to the proper telephone exchange which is 81-6117. The

final set of numbers are the last six (6) digits of the number you are calling.

If your On Base telephone number in Okinawa is 645-7805, then the person in the U.S. calling would dial 011-81-611-745-7805.

On the other hand, if you are living Off Base and your home phone number is 926-0000, then the person in the U.S. calling would dial 011-81-098-926-0000.

CALLING CAMP FUJI

Person in the U.S. calling would dial 011-81-550-89-6102/6104 and ask the Camp Fuji operator for the extension needed.

History

Most Marines stationed here belong to the III Marine Expeditionary Force, III MEF, headquartered at Camp Courtney. The III MEF activated during World War II (1942), where it fought as the Marine Amphibious Force. It carried this name through Vietnam, after which it re-settled in Okinawa in 1971.

Within the III MEF's four major elements are several major subordinate commands, including: the 3d Marine Division, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, 3d Force Service Support Group, 31st Marine Expeditionary Unit, and the HQ & SVC BN, III MEF.

Marine Corps Bases, Japan, the senior Okinawa Marine Corps command, controls all Marine commands on Okinawa and mainland Japan, to include Camp Fuji and Marine Corps Air Station, Iwakuni.

Marine Corps Base Camp Butler's history began in 1955, when it was located at Camp Tengan near Camp Courtney. Today, the Camp Butler headquarters is located at Building 1, Camp Butler.

Camp Fuji was turned over to the Marine Corps from the U.S. Army in 1953. The Camp's mission is to provide garrison facilities, administrative, communications, and logistical support to U.S. Forces that deploy there for training.

Camp Fuji is located at the base of Mount Fuji, Japan, approximately 2250 feet above sea level.

The 3d Marine Division is one of the four main elements in the III MEF. Established on Sept. 16,

1942 at San Diego, this unit was immediately plunged into several famous WW-II campaigns including Bougainville, Guam and Iwo Jima. The Division also saw five years of combat in Vietnam. The 3d Marine Division returned to Okinawa in 1969. The 3d Marine Division's primary mission requires execution of amphibious assault operations, among many other such operation. Two infantry regiments make up the division: The 4th Marines, located on Camp Schwab, and 3d Marines on Hawaii. This lethal attack team is further reinforced by Headquarters Battalion, located on Camp Courtney, Combat Assault Battalion and a Combat Engineer Company, both located on Camp Schwab. An Artillery Regiment, the 12th Marines, located on Camp Hansen, consists of 3d Battalion, 12th Marines, located on Camp Hansen, and 1st Battalion, 12th Marines on Hawaii. 12th Marines provides artillery support for the division.

1st Marine Aircraft Wing, 1st MAW. Ground forces don't get far without a safe blanket of air power protecting them. The III MEF's Air Combat Element, ACE, is the 1st Marine Aircraft Wing. Originally commissioned July 7, 1941, the first MAW has performed critical operational support roles in the New Guinea area, on Peleliu and in the Philippines. The MAW also saw fierce action during the Korean and Vietnamese Conflict.

The 3d Force Service Support Group was activated on May 1, 1958. Under the auspices of the 3d Marine Division's force service regiment, the group saw battle in Vietnam in both 1965 and 1966. The 3d FSSG consists of seven distinct battalions.

The HQ & SVC BN has been on island since its activation in June 1955. The Camp Hansen based unit was created from a combination of several other complimentary elements previously a part of III MEF.

Marine Corps Air Station, Futenma began in 1945 as a bomber base. Construction of hangars and barracks began in 1958. The airfield was commissioned as a "Marine Corps Air Facility" in 1960 and became an Air Station in 1976.

Located within Ginowan City, Okinawa, the Air Station is home to approximately 4,000 Marines and Sailors. It is capable of supporting most aircraft and serves as the base for Marine Aircraft Group 36, Marine Air Control Group 18, and Marine Wing Support Squadron 172.

The Air Station provides support for the III Marine Expeditionary Force and for Marine Corps Base, Camp Butler. Since 15 January 1969 MCAS Futenma serves as a United Nations air facility and a divert base for Air Force and Naval aircraft operating in the vicinity of Okinawa.

The 31st Marine Expeditionary Unit, 31st MEU, was activated in September 1992. The 31st MEU performs several tasks here. Among them: it works as a contingent of the US Pacific forward deployed presence, conducts amphibious operations of limited duration, acts as an advanced force for a follow-on larger Marine Air-Ground Task Force and provides an immediate response capability across a wide spectrum of crisis/contingencies by conducting maritime-oriented missions.

REMEMBER: IF YOU GET LOST OR NEED ASSISTANCE, CALL YOUR UNIT OFFICER OF THE DAY (OOD). Please refer to the Major Unit Listing for unit phone numbers.

Name: 1st Marine Aircraft Wing
Address: Unit 37101
City: FPO, FPO AP 96603
Phone: 011-81-611-745-2781
FAX: 011-81-611-745-3787
DSN Phone: 645-2781
DSN FAX: 645-3787
E-Mail: adjutant@1maw.usmc.mil
WWW Link: http://www.1maw.usmc.mil

Name: 3d Force Service Support Group
Address: Unit 38404
City: FPO, FPO AP 96604
Phone: 011-81-611-737-3002
FAX: 011-81-611-737-2719
DSN Phone: 637-3002
DSN FAX: 637-2719
E-Mail: 3dfssgg-1@3fssg.usmc.mil
WWW Link: http://www.3fssg.usmc.mil

Name: 3d Marine Division
Address: Unit 35801
City: FPO, FPO AP 96602
Phone: 011-81-611-722-7571
FAX: 011-81-611-722-9467
DSN Phone: 622-7571
DSN FAX: 622-9467
E-Mail: g1perssmb@3div.usmc.mil
WWW Link: http://www.3div.usmc.mil

Name: Fleet Activities Okinawa
Address: Personnel Support Activity Detachment
City: FPO, FPO AP 96370
Phone: 011-81-611-734-6322
FAX: 011-81-611-734-6305
DSN Phone: 634-6322/27
DSN FAX: 634-6305
E-Mail: psdokinawa-helpline@psa.psaftc.navy.mil

Name: III Marine Expeditionary Force
Address: Unit 35601
City: FPO, FPO AP 96605
Phone: 011-81-611-722-7708
FAX: 011-81-611-7227208
DSN Phone: 622-7708
DSN FAX: 622-7208
E-Mail: iiimefg1lest@iiimef.usmc.mil
WWW Link: http://www.iiimef.usmc.mil

Name: MCAS Futenma Air Station
Address: Unit 35201
City: FPO, FPO AP 96372
Phone: 011-81-611-736-3100/3107
FAX: 011-81-611-736-3088
DSN Phone: 636-3100/3107
DSN FAX: 636-3088
E-Mail: adjutantsmb@futenma.usmc.mil
WWW Link: http://www.futenma.usmc.mil

Name: Marine Corps Base Camp S. D. Butler
Address: Unit 35001
City: FPO, FPO AP 96373
Phone: 011-81-611-745-7218/2644
FAX: 011-81-611-745-3744
DSN Phone: 645-7218/2644
DSN FAX: 645-3744
E-Mail: adjmds@mcbbutler.usmc.mil
WWW Link: http://www.mcbbutler.usmc.mil

Name: U. S. Naval Hospital
Address: PSC 482
City: FPO, FPO AP 96362
Phone: 011-81-611-743-7555
FAX: 011-81-611-743-7591
DSN Phone: 643-7555
DSN FAX: 643-7591
WWW Link: http://www.oki.med.navy.mil

Must Know Items

For more information on this subject:
<http://www.mwr.mcbbutler.usmc.mil>

Now that you have received orders to Okinawa, you probably have many questions concerning things you will need to know prior to and after your arrival.

One of the most important items to consider is the documentation you will need to have on hand when you arrive. First, you must have your PCS orders, area clearance and passports as well as shot records for yourself and all members of your family accompanying you. Contact your current command immediately to obtain assistance in acquiring these items.

The following items are covered in detail below: 1. AIR MOBILITY COMMAND'S SPACE AVAILABLE TRAVEL 2. AREA CLEARANCE 3. BANKING FACILITIES 4. CBs 5. CLOTHING 6. COST OF LIVING ALLOWANCE & POST ALLOWANCE 7. ENVIRONMENTAL MORALE LEAVE (EML) 8. COMMUNITY SERVICES AMC TERMINAL GREETERS 9. FIREARMS (MAR COR BASES JAPAN 5500.2C) 10. ILLEGAL DRUGS 11. IMMUNIZATIONS 12. IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS 13. KNIVES (MAR COR BASES JAPAN 5500.2C) 14. LEARN THE LANGUAGE 15. METROPOLITAN AREA 16. MONEY 17. NEEDED KITCHEN ITEMS 18. PASSPORTS AND VISAS 19. PETS 20. PORNOGRAPHY 21. PORT CALL 22. POSTAL INFORMATION 23. TEMPORARY LODGING ALLOWANCE (TLA) 24. TIPS FOR SURVIVAL 25. UNACCOMPANIED DEPENDENTS 26. JAPANESE PASSPORT HOLDER

1. AIR MOBILITY COMMAND'S (AMC) SPACE AVAILABLE TRAVEL

Kadena Air Force Base is home to one of the busiest AMC Terminals in the world, with flights to locations throughout the Pacific.

On a regular basis, flights are available to mainland Japan and the Republic of Korea as well as to Guam, Alaska, Hawaii and CONUS. Occasional flights are available to Australia, Diego Garcia, Thailand, and Singapore. Space-A flights from overseas locations are free if flying to military bases, but cost \$20.00 if flying to civilian air terminals.

Military members and their dependents are allowed two environmental and morale leaves for travel each year. This entitles eligible members to priority on flights, making Space-A travel even easier. Space-A travel is extremely limited.

2. AREA CLEARANCE

UPON RECEIPT OF PERMANENT CHANGE OF STATION ORDERS MARINES INBOUND TO ANY COMMAND ABOARD OKINAWA WILL SUBMIT FOR AREA CLEARANCE APPROVAL PER MCO P1000.6F. THIS MCO GIVES SPECIFIC GUIDANCE AS TO THE FORMAT. REQUESTS ARE SUBMITTED TO THE COMMANDING GENERAL, MCB CAMP SMEDLEY D. BUTLER (ATTN: G-1A). NAVAL PERSONNEL ONLY: DEPENDENT ENTRY APPROVAL REQUESTS RECEIPTS FOR ALL SAILORS ASSIGNED TO OKINAWA ARE SUBMITTED TO PERSUPPDET OKINAWA PER NMPCINST4650.3A. POC: ADMIN OFFICE 634-9337.

UPON RECEIPT OF THE AREA CLEARANCE REQUEST WHICH IS SUBMITTED BY THE MARINE'S COMMAND, AREA CLEARANCE APPROVAL IS PROVIDED BY NAVAL MESSAGE. IF THE REQUEST IS INCOMPLETE OR THE REQUEST DOES NOT MEET CRITERIA FOR APPROVAL THIS COMMAND WILL NOTIFY THE INDIVIDUAL'S COMMAND BY NAVAL MESSAGE.

SOME COMMON ERRORS THAT WE SEE ON AREA CLEARANCE REQUESTS ARE:

THE MARINE DOES NOT HAVE ENOUGH OBLIGATED SERVICE. EACH MARINE, REGARDLESS OF TIME IN SERVICE OR GRADE MUST HAVE ENOUGH OBLIGATED SERVICE TO COMPLETE THE ASSIGNED TOUR IN OKINAWA. NO EXCEPTIONS.

MARINE DOES NOT LIST ALL OF THE FAMILY MEMBERS ON THE AREA CLEARANCE REQUEST.

THE MARINE TRIES TO GET AREA CLEARANCE APPROVAL FOR A FAMILY MEMBER OR ACQUAINTANCE THAT IS NOT APPROVED BY CMC. I.E. GRANDPARENTS, FIANCE, COUSINS, ETC.

THE AREA CLEARANCE MESSAGE PROVIDES A VAST AMOUNT OF INFORMATION THAT WILL BE VERY HELPFUL TO THE REQUESTER. SOME OF THIS INFO INCLUDES: SPONSOR, SCHOOL INFO, PETS, HOUSING, COST OF LIVING, MEDICAL AND DENTAL INFO, TRANSPORTATION COSTS, ETC.

FOR MORE INFO CALL. 645-7457

3. BANKING FACILITIES

There are two major banking facilities on Okinawa, the Navy Federal Credit Union and Nations Bank. At least one of these is located on all Marine Corps Bases. The banks offer full service and are in business to serve the military community and their families.

There are no banking facilities at Camp Fuji. The on base club system will cash checks (including personal checks) and make yen conversions. ATM machine dispenses both dollars and yen.

4. CBs

Japanese law also forbids use of citizens band radios and cordless electronic telephones.

5. CLOTHING

Since the weather here is semi-tropical for most of the year, it is recommended that you bring plenty of summer clothing, such as short sleeved shirts, shorts, slacks and sun dresses. There is no particular style of clothing on Okinawa, so don't worry about having the right kind. People wear everything from T-shirts and sandals to sport coats and oxfords.

From the months of December through March the weather turns colder and calls for heavy sweaters or jackets/coats. Into the rainy months of April to mid-June raincoats and umbrellas are a must.

The weather at Camp Fuji is colder during the winter months, heavy winter wear will be appropriate. The climate closely resembles the northern United States. It is highly recommended that Officers and SNCO's bring a coat and tie, as necessitated by the official local Japanese military and civilian functions.

If you plan to travel to Korea or mainland Japan during the winter months, heavy winter wear will be appropriate. The climate in these two areas closely resembles the northern United States, complete with sub-zero temperatures and heavy snows.

6. COST OF LIVING ALLOWANCE (COLA)

COLA is additional tax free money given to active duty military members living in a high cost of living area intended to offset the high cost of living and help you maintain a "normal standard of living". Post Allowance is essentially the same thing as COLA except it is paid to DOD civilian personnel.

BARRACKS COLA

Barracks COLA is given to all Enlisted personnel assigned to Okinawa on an Unaccompanied Tour and who reside in the barracks. The amount of COLA is determined by Rank and Time In Service (TIS). Exception: SNCOs assigned to Camp Kinser will receive Own-Right COLA.

OWN-RIGHT COLA

Own-Right COLA is given to all SNCOs assigned to Camp Kinser, Officers and Warrant Officers on an Unaccompanied Tour in Okinawa, regardless of where they reside. Additionally, any other military personnel authorized to reside on the economy will be granted Own-Right COLA. The amount of Own-Right COLA is determined by Rank and Time In Service (TIS).

The COLA is continually changing. To obtain updated COLA information contact the Disbursing office at your base.

7. ENVIRONMENTAL MORALE LEAVE (EML)

EML is for command sponsored active duty military members and their dependents (this applies to DoD members and their dependents also). Active duty military members can apply for EML to CONUS, Alaska, Hawaii, Korea, and Japan. You are allowed one destination only, thus with one EML you couldn't go to Korea and Japan. EMLs are not cumulative. If you do not use your two trips one year, you are not entitled to four trips the following year. The year is based on when the active duty member checked into his/her command.

How do you go about applying for EML? The sponsor must complete an EML request form no matter whether you are all flying as a family, or the dependents are flying without the sponsor. You may sign up for specific destinations, not specific flights, so you must remember to be flexible, and have enough funds to purchase a commercial ticket should you run out of leave.

Some tips to remember: EML orders are good for only 90 days once the request is accepted. You can make the effective date for the EML orders later than when you apply for them, but you must be on leave with orders to get on the AMC flight sign-up list. Dependents must have a set of EML orders signed by the sponsor to sign up. Children under 18 years of age must be accompanied by an authorized adult.

8. COMMUNITY SERVICES AMC TERMINAL GREETERS

Now that you have arrived at the Kadena AMC terminal on Okinawa, you may wonder how you will recognize your sponsor, or if your sponsor is even going to be there. Relocation Assistance volunteers will meet your family at the terminal to help you through customs/immigrations, and answer any questions you may have about the base. They will help you locate your sponsor and, in the event you should need it, they will help you get settled into billeting. The Relocation Assistance Center staff can be reached at DSN 645-8395.

If you arrive through Naha International Airport or Naha Domestic Airport, as soon as you exit the baggage area, clear Customs and Immigrations if necessary, go outside the terminal and look for the white military bus. In the event the bus cannot be found, do one of the following: If you are at the International Airport, look back at the double doors near customs. There is a red sign to the left saying "Welcome to Okinawa U.S. Military Phone". Follow its' directions and you will be stress free. If you arrived via the domestic airport, ask for assistance at the information desk on the use of the pay phone. Call 892-5111, when you hear the base's dial tone, dial 645-2644/7218. Any one of those three numbers are active 24 hours a day. A driver will be dispatched immediately.

Your command will be notified of your arrival and assistance rendered at that time.

9. FIREARMS (MAR COR BASES JAPAN 5500.2C)

a. Firearms - Any item that expels a projectile by use of an explosive device or any part of such device.

b. US Forces personnel who meet the requirements of Japanese law may only import or purchase and register in Japan the following types of privately owned weapons. However, importation and possession of rifles and target pistols is strongly discouraged.

1. Shotgun, air or gas operated rifles, and sporting rifles for hunting, skeet and/or trap shooting. (USFJPL 125-8, Hunting License in Japan, provides specific guidance.)

2. Rifles for target shooting NO PISTOLS OR HANDGUNS. Possession of target rifles is permitted

only for members of official competition teams formally registered and approved by US military and Japanese government agencies.

3. Target pistols. Handgun importation, possession and ownership in Japan, with the exception of target pistols or starter pistols U.S. Forces Jpaa (USFJ) members are NOT AUTHORIZED to import or possess handguns in Japan. ADVANCE APPROVAL is required from the gaining installation before shipping any FIREARM into Japan. Approval to import or possess a target pistol will only be granted to members of official competition teams formally registered and approved by US military and Japanese government agencies.

c. Minors: Under Japanese law, persons under 20 years of age are prohibited from using, purchasing, acquiring, possessing, retaining, carrying or registering weapons, firearms, ammunition and dangerous instruments.

d. Ammunition. Japanese law is as strict regarding the possession of ammunition as it is with weapons in general. The possession of ammunition off-base requires permits issued by both US military and local government authorities. In all other instances, ammunition must be stored in authorized on-base storage facilities as designated by the commanders concerned. Sale or transfer of ammunition to Japanese or third country nationals is strictly prohibited.

10. ILLEGAL DRUGS

When it comes to illegal drugs, the Japanese have created extremely harsh and unsympathetic laws. They're especially tough on anyone who smuggles them into the island. In a nutshell, "Don't mess with drugs." There's no difference between the illegal drugs here and those in the states. A product which is legally sold on Okinawa, but illegal for Americans to purchase and use, is medicine containing codeine. Also regular Vicks Nasal Inhalers are illegal in Japan, however, Vicks Nasal Inhalers with a red triangle are permitted. The red triangle denotes that the restricted chemical has not been included therefore making it importable.

11. IMMUNIZATIONS

Be particularly sure you and your family are properly immunized, and have the paperwork to prove it. This is especially important for your children, since they will need their immunization records to enroll in any of the schools on base here.

12. IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS

Besides passports and visas, other important documents you will probably need for your transition to Okinawa include:

a. Immunization Records b. Naturalization Paperwork c. Current Drivers' Licenses or Permits
d. Marriage Licenses or Divorce Decrees e. All Educational Documentation f. Deeds and Titles to all real estate or other property g. Shipping and storage documents for your household goods h. Insurance Policies i. State and Federal Income Tax Returns j. Adoption Papers k. Addresses of financial institutions you do business with l. Wills and Powers of Attorney m. Civilian & Military Medical/Dental Records o. Area Clearance p. Original Birth Certificates q. Military Orders and Dependent Entry Approval r. I.D. and Social Security Cards s. Resume/Previous Employment Records t. Pet Health/Rabies Vaccination Records

13. KNIVES (MAR COR BASES JAPAN 5500.2C)

Prohibited Knives - switch blade, spring release or butterfly regardless of blade length (functional or display).

Restricted Knives of the pocket or sheath type with blades longer than two and three eighths (2-3/8) inches.

It is illegal to carry any knife over 2 3/8 " on your person unless duty issued to the member for use in training exercises or in the field. All knives must be registered with the Provost Marshals Office, Customs Office.

14. LEARN THE LANGUAGE

Learn some of the language, if possible. Not only will you understand more of the culture, your attempts at the language will delight new Okinawan friends. Observe how the Okinawans act if you don't know what to do in any situation. Just watch the local people around you and then do as they do. Remember always to be polite. Talking too loud or playing radios or portable cassette decks in public where you might bother people is frowned upon even more in Okinawa than it is in the U.S. As in the States, it's not customary to bargain when shopping in Okinawa. Some places will offer discounts, however, and for large items such as cameras or stereo equipment it is OK to ask for one. Tipping is not expected in taxis, restaurants or anywhere else. Normal American tipping customs are followed in

the clubs and restaurants on base, however. Don't wear your shoes in an Okinawa home. Shoes should also be removed when entering certain public buildings and restaurants - you'll have no trouble telling whether you should or not.

15. METROPOLITAN AREA

Okinawa: The only area that could be considered metropolitan is Naha, with a population of approximately 365,000. Located in the southern end of the island, 23 kilometers south of Camp Foster, the capital city has a mile-long strip of Japanese department stores, gift shops, boutiques, jewelry and camera stores, ect. Stop for refreshments in one of the thousands of small eateries, specializing in a variety of Japanese and European cuisine.

Camp Fuji: The capital of Tokyo is one of the world's most captivating metropolis, with a population of approximately 12 million. Located 96 kilometers from Camp Fuji, it is one of the world's largest cities.

16. MONEY

On Okinawa, the yen is the national monetary unit. As this information was being compiled, one dollar was worth about 100 to 120 yen. The rate has been changing so often that this figure could change drastically in either direction before or after you arrive.

With the weakening of the dollar, prices off-base have become increasingly higher. To eat in a first class restaurant off-base will cost an average of \$60 for two people. Fortunately, there are eateries off-base that still give a favorable yen rate, keeping prices affordable. MCCA also has a good selection of base restaurants to choose from at U.S. prices.

Major units of Japanese currency are 1 yen, 5 yen, 10 yen, 50 yen, 100 yen and 500 yen coins. The bills are in denominations of 1,000, 5,000 and 10,000. It is advisable that you purchase a small wallet to keep some Japanese currency available at all times.

Don't let the strong yen scare you from venturing off-base. Military members stationed in Japan receive a cost of living allowance (COLA) that helps make up for the falling dollar. Of course, you can always buy American products on-base at American prices.

Most Okinawa businesses near a base will take U.S. dollars, but at their own rate of exchange. It is recommended that you ask what that rate is before making a purchase. It would be wiser to buy yen at

one of the Nations Banks or at the clubs where the rates are more favorable. Bank of the Ryukyus offers the best exchange rate off-base. Dollars are not usually accepted in areas away from the bases.

It is also advisable that you arrive in Okinawa with a small amount of yen (at least Y10,000) readily available, particularly if you arrive at Naha Airport and will be depending on commercial transportation or telephones. However, there is a free line at Naha Airport which rings directly to the base operator at Kadena.

17. NEEDED KITCHEN ITEMS

Tupperware is also high on the list of "Do Bring" items in our poll. With the humidity here, foods have a tendency to go stale quickly, so plastic containers are a necessity in the kitchen.

18. PASSPORTS AND VISAS

As a military member, you are not required to carry a passport for travel into Okinawa, but you may wish to purchase one at your own expense for leave travel. Your family members, however, must have a valid passport. Passports issued to parents that include their children may pose a problem if an emergency or medical evacuation arises. It would be wise to get each child a separate passport or visa.

When you receive notification of your assignment to Okinawa, and your area clearance for your dependents, you should report to your administrative section and obtain a dependents' passport application and photo request. When traveling by commercial flights, you can use a tourist passport and a visa is not required. These requirements are subject to change, so check with your admin office.

If you plan on visiting other countries such as Korea, China, Thailand, etc be sure you have the proper re-entry visa stamped in your passport. This visa stamp is obtainable at Pass & ID at Camp Foster and PSD at Kadena Air Base for Sailors.

19. PETS

Be advised that pets (other than aquatic animals and caged small birds) can delay, and in some cases, impede assignment to on-base quarters. The no pet policy is in effect for mid- and high-rise tower apartments. You cannot remain on TLA because of nonacceptance of quarters due to pet ownership.

20. PORNOGRAPHY

Pornography is strongly monitored. You can't import or export obscene video tapes, movies, books, drawings, carvings or any other pornographic articles.

21. PORT CALL

Now that you have collected all the necessary paperwork, including your area clearance for your dependents, you will be given a Port Call Date. This will be a Air Mobility Command (AMC) flight originating from Los Angeles or as an alternate Seattle/Tacoma. In any case, it is important that you notify your gaining command of this date and time. You will have been assigned a sponsor by this command and without this information no one will be there to meet you and your family on arrival.

ENSURE YOU COMPLETE A PORT CALL CARD AND MAIL IT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. It is postage paid and contains some very important questions which will help us make sure your arrival in Okinawa is an easy one.

22. POSTAL INFORMATION

Throughout your tour on Okinawa, postal services will be of significant importance to you. The following information is a guide to assist you in understanding the capabilities of the overseas U.S. Mail system so that you may use the postal services provided to your best advantage.

Your mailing address is the most important factor for you to receive timely and efficient mail services. Your correspondents and publishers must have your complete and correct mailing address in order for you to receive mail in a timely manner. Personnel serving on accompanied tours qualify for a post office box, while those here on unaccompanied tours will receive their mail through their assigned units' mailroom. Both types of mail service require your timely submission of changes in duty status, i.e. leave, TAD, transfer, etc. Each system will provide you with an authorized address you must use to receive your mail. Deviation from these addresses will affect your mail service. For prompt service, you must check out with your mailroom in the U.S., leaving the address for the major command in Okinawa.

If you are on an accompanied tour, send a copy of your orders and area clearance to your sponsor as soon as possible so that the sponsor can arrange for your post office box. You should advise your local

post office as well as relatives and companies with whom you do business of this new address.

When checking out of a mailroom or at your serving post office, ensure that one Change of Address Card is sent to your gaining command. Be sure to include the estimated date of arrival. Upon arrival, you should personally check-in with your new command's mailroom. By doing so, you will ensure that all appropriate mail handling activities will have a record of your presence and current location.

Mail service here on Okinawa is relatively consistent; you can expect to receive your letter mail, on the average, in 6-7 days. Parcels mailed Priority or First-Class arrive in approximately the same time. Parcels mailed Space Available Mail (SAM) or Parcel Air Lift (PAL) average 12-15 days. Surface mail, which is Parcel Post or Third Class and Fourth Class is transported by ship with transit times between 45-60 days.

23. TEMPORARY LODGING ALLOWANCE (TLA)

Upon arriving on Okinawa, your sponsor should arrange for you to stay at one of the many government approved TLA facilities until you have found suitable housing for your family. TLA is authorized to assist the service member in offsetting expenses incurred during the occupancy of temporary lodging. There is no entitlement to TLA while in a travel status by Privately Owned Vehicle from the Airport or once permanent quarters are occupied. TLA is contingent upon:

Marines must utilize a government TLA facility, i.e., Kuwae Lodge or Courtney Lodge, unless an endorsement is obtained stating that the facility closest to their place of work is not available for occupancy. If the member choose to live at an off base TLF, i.e., Eagle, Hamagawawa or New Courtney Lodge, then the members cost will be limited to what it would have cost them at the government TLA Facility. Upon arrival, Navy personnel should check with PSD for current guidelines.

There is no TLA entitlement for service members on an unaccompanied tour, unless the MCB Camp Butler Billeting office has issued a nonavailability statement certifying that there are no single type quarters available for occupancy. This includes active duty couples who are both serving unaccompanied tours. At least one of the service members in an

active duty couple must be on an accompanied tour in order for both members to receive TLA.

The Joint Housing Referral Offices at, Kadena Air Base Bldg 217, Camp Kinser Bldg 107, Camp Courtney Bldg 4460 have a listings of local economy quarters that been inspected and are ready for immediate occupancy. Your option not to accept quarters that are available is not justification to remain on TLA.

Personnel accompanied by dependents must be prepared to pay \$1,000 to \$2,000 for temporary lodging and subsistence for the initial 15-day period. Personnel are eligible for TLA to offset costs until private/government quarters are obtained (normally a period of approximately 20-30 days). However, TLA is paid after the fact in 15-day increments (you pay for the first 15 days, then take the receipt to disbursing for reimbursement). For a family consisting of one active duty member and three dependents the cost currently is \$150.00 per day on base and can go up to \$300.00 per day off base. If the Marine does not have sufficient funds to pay for the lodging bill, then a copy of the lodging receipts may be submitted in lieu of a paid receipt. An authenticated bill consists of the name of and phone number of the TLF, Period covered, Lodging cost, and signature of TLF representative.

24. TIPS FOR SURVIVAL

Do try to observe how the Japanese act. If you don't understand what to do in a particular situation, watch what people around are doing and follow their example.

Do try to learn some Japanese phrases of friendship and courtesy. A person's worth in Japan is measured by his or her manners.

Do try to learn about Okinawa's unique customs and culture. Many books are available at on-base and off-base book-stores and/or at your base library.

Do observe local rules and regulations just as you would follow them in your own country.

Do wear proper clothing when visiting places of worship like the shrines and temples. Short shorts, minis, etc., are frowned upon.

Do show respect for Okinawa's sacred places (Utaki) and altars (Butsudan). You can distinguish sacred places by the burnt incense or 3 upright stones which are considered objects of worship.

Do take advantage of accepting invitations to Japanese homes. (An inexpensive gift of sweets/fruits would be appropriate when visiting for the first time).

Do ask how to eat a certain kind of food or the use of a certain tableware if you are unsure. Someone will always be glad to help you.

Do take pictures of people with their permission. You will find that being a foreigner has its advantages here because permission is usually readily granted.

Do enter a Japanese home without your shoes, even if your host tells you to leave them on.

Do control laughing, loud talking or taking of pictures inside shrines and temple. Taking pictures of the temple and shrine and their surroundings compound is permitted.

Do refrain from spearing your food with a chopstick. Instead, ask the waitress for a fork and knife, or request that they demonstrate how to use chopsticks.

Do be polite and considerate. Do use common sense. Genuine courtesy removes most cultural barriers.

Do ENJOY your stay in Japan's 47th prefecture by seeing as much of this beautiful island as possible.

REMEMBER... YOU ARE AN AMBASSADOR,
DO BE WISE

25. UNACCOMPANIED DEPENDENTS

Individuals are strongly discouraged from individually sponsoring their dependents during an unaccompanied tour. The primary reason being the extreme financial burden that can be expected. If you are determined that you can make it work, then it is recommended that you consult with the First Sergeant, SJA, Disbursing, Financial Counselor, Customs and Housing.

26. JAPANESE PASSPORT HOLDER

If you have a family member that is a Japanese Passport holder please be aware when flying commercially into Japan, customs and immigration will be separate lines within the same Commercial terminal. However, if you are arriving on an AMC flight, via Kadena Air Base, family members with Japanese passports cannot be processed at the Air Base Terminal. Japanese law stipulates Japanese citizens must be processed at the Government of Japan (GOJ) office. American customs officials are not permitted to process Japanese citizens.

Additionally, U.S. Customs Officials are not authorized to stamp passports of family members, on EML Orders traveling without their sponsors, who are not stationed in Japan. For example, a spouse traveling from Korea to Guam, with a stop in Okinawa. Retirees, traveling to Okinawa Space "A" on their ID cards, must also be processed at the Government of Japan (GOJ) office.

In an effort to accommodate these individuals, Air Force Customs Officials provide round trip transportation to and from the GOJ office. It is approximately a four minute ride by car.

Must Know Items

--Installation--	
Site Name	Camp S D Butler
Last Updated	June 20, 2000
Country	Japan
County	
ZIP Code	96373
Service	USMC
Host Command	Marine Crops Base
Physical Size	0
--Phones--	
DSN Country Code	
DSN Number	645-8395
Commercial Country Code	011-81-
Commercial Area Code	611-
Commercial Number	745-8395
FAX DSN Country Code	
FAX DSN Number	645-7229
FAX Commercial Country Code	011-81-
FAX Commercial Area Code	611-
FAX Commercial Number	745-7229
--Official Mailing Address--	
Street Line 1	Presonal Services Center
Street Line 2	MCB CAMP BUTLER UNIT 35026
City	FPO
State/Territory	
ZIP Code	96373-5026
--Deliverable Address--	
Street Line 1	
Street Line 2	
City	
State/Territory	
ZIP Code	
E-Mail	reloassist@MCBBUTLER.usmc.mil

<http://www.mcbbutler.usmc.mil/>

Geographically Separated or Satellite Locations

For more information on this subject:
Community Service Center (WEB PAGE)

There are ten geographically separated sites that utilize the Community Service Center. Please refer to Listing for more details.

Geographically Separated or Satellite Locations

<i>Satellite</i>	<i>Command</i>	<i>Distance</i>	<i>Associated Site Name</i>
Camp Courtney	III MEF, 3d MarDiv, HQ 3d MarDiv	8 km North of Camp Foster	Camp S D Butler
Camp Fuji		On the Mainland Japan	Camp S D Butler
Camp Gonsalves	MCB Northern Training Area		Camp S D Butler
Camp Hansen	12th Mar	20 Miles North of Camp Foster	Camp S D Butler
Camp Kinser	3rd FSSG	10 Miles north of Naha	Camp S D Butler
Camp Schwab	4th Mar Regi, 3d Recon Bn, Combat Assault Bn	35 Miles North of Camp Foster	Camp S D Butler
Camp Shields	Navy Sea Bees	5 Miles North of Camp Foster	Camp S D Butler
MCAS Futenma	1st MAW	4.8 km south of Camp FOSTER	Camp S D Butler
NSGA Hanza	Navy Security Group		Camp S D Butler
White Beach			Camp S D Butler

Nearby Installations (Listed Separately in SITES)

There are two nearby installations listed separately in sites. Please refer to Listing for more details.

Nearby Installations (Listed Separately in SITES)

<i>State/Country</i>	<i>Site Name</i>	<i>Service</i>	<i>Distance</i>
Japan	Kadena AB	USAF	2.5 Miles
Japan	Torii Station	USA	

Regulations

Traffic

DRIVING ON OKINAWA: Okinawa definitely offers a distinct driving experience. Unlike the United States, people drive on the left side of the road which requires some getting used to. The slow lane

is on the left, and the fast lane is on the right, although there usually isn't a significant difference between either. All speed limits are marked in kilometers per hour and, except for the Okinawa Expressway, there is no authorized speed zone beyond 60 kilometers per hour, or about 37 mph. In addition, all traffic signs here conform to international standards. Many roads are much narrower than standard American roads, traffic

congestion is more the rule than the exception, and coral dust-laden roads can get slick fast after it rains. Needless to say, careful, defensive driving is an absolute necessity. Drinking and driving and illegal drugs are dealt with very severely by both Japanese and Military authorities. For the Okinawa Driver's Manual refer to record listing, record number 1 and 3.

Seatbelts--Seatbelts must be worn at all times while driving on and off base. Department of Transportation approved car seats are required for children under 40 lbs and/or 4 yrs old.

Vehicle Checks--Japanese police perform periodic vehicle and driver inspections to ensure the vehicle conforms to safety standards and the driver is not under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

Accidents -- Under Japanese law, all licensed drivers are professional drivers and, in the event of an accident that causes personal injury to another, they could be considered professionally negligent. Maximum penalties for professional negligence include up to five years imprisonment, a fine of 500,000 yen or both.

If you're uninsured for damage to property, injury or death, the damage from a traffic accident exceeds your insurance limits, or you're involved in a minor criminal offense, such as petty larceny, you should try to settle the incident with the other parties involved. If they agree with the settlement, usually the Japanese police or District Prosecutor will drop the charges, or at least recommend a very lenient sentence.

Crime Stop--Emergency number is 911 on Marine Corps Bases and 911 on Kadena Air Base.

Emergency Number on all Marine Corps Bases and Station for Police, Fire and Ambulance is 911.

Pass and ID (Sites)

Please refer to Listing for more details.

Drivers License (USFJ)

In order for a US Marine, Civilian or dependent to drive on Okinawa or mainland Japan, you must obtain a valid USFJ-4A, US Forces Japan Operator's permit. First: You must have a valid drivers license. At the time of applying for a license a National Drivers Register (NDR) check will be submitted to the Department of Transportation. Second: If you are Active Duty or an Army Dependent under the age

of 26, you must complete the Driver's Improvement Course or show proof of previous training, high school driver education does not meet this requirement. Third: Sergeants and corporals must wait 30 days and lance corporals and below will have to wait 60 days before they can apply for a license to operate privately owned vehicles. Permission for the license must come from the individual's battalion or squadron commander. Battalion or squadron commanders may make exceptions to the requirements for special circumstances, such as personnel with dependents on Okinawa or those attending off-duty education night classes at another base than assigned. All other personnel need only to meet the first requirement. NOTE: If you are under the age of 18, and hold a valid drivers license, you may receive a ON BASE ONLY license. If you have never been licensed before, you must attend a drivers improvement course, get permission from your sponsor and pass a written test. The learner's permit is valid for 90 days and On-Base Only. After a minimum of 30 days, you may take a road test and after successfully completing you may receive a license. To receive a motorcycle license on Okinawa you must complete a course presented by the Motorcycle Safety Foundation even though this course is available on Okinawa, it is recommended that you attend the course prior to leaving CONUS.

Vehicle Registration (USFJ)

All vehicles owed by US Forces personnel assigned to Okinawa must be registered through the Vehicle Registration Office. Vehicles are registered under the sponsor's name and there is a limit to the number of autos registered at one time.

Please refer to Listing for more details.

Name: Drivers License, Marine Corps, Camp Foster, Bldg 5831	
Address: UNIT 35001 MCB SAFETY OFFICE	
City: FPO 96373--5001	
Phone: 011-81-611-745-3369	
FAX: 011-81-611-745-7838	
DSN Phone: 645-3369	
DSN FAX: 645-7838	
Comments: Please refer to the "OKINAWA DRIVER'S MANUAL" for important information on DRIVING UNDER JAPANESE TRAFFIC LAW ON OKINAWA INFORMATION CONCERNING DRIVING ON OKINAWA MCB PAMPHLET 5100 DRIVING UNDER JAPANESE TRAFFIC LAW OKINAWA DRIVER'S MANUAL PART # 1 DRIVING UNDER JAPANESE TRAFFIC LAW ON OKINAWA INFORMATION CONCERNING DRIVING ON OKINAWA MCB PAMPHLET 5100 DRIVING UNDER JAPANESE TRAFFIC LAW CONTENTS SECTION I INTRODUCTION PURPOSE GENERAL SECTION II JAPANESE TRAFFIC LAWS Traffic Lanes 1 Traffic Rules for Vehicles, etc. on Normal Road 2 Traffic Rules for Motor Vehicles on National Motor Vehicle Expressways and Exclusive Roads for Motor	
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 SECTION I INTRODUCTION
 1. PURPOSE.
 a. This information covers the most important features of U.S. and Japanese Traffic Laws as they apply to U.S. Armed Forces personnel driving a vehicle on Okinawa. It is not intended to be a complete summary of all traffic regulations. Upon your arrival on Okinawa, you should come to the the Base Safety Office, Bldg 5831, Camp Foster and obtain a copy of our driving handbook.
 2. GENERAL
 a. The operation of a privately-owned vehicle on Okinawa is a conditional privilege extended to military personnel, sponsored civilian employees, and their dependents by the Commanding General, Marine Corps Base, Camp Smedley D. Butler. Being a privilege, everyone should be aware that this privilege, like so many others, can be revoked, either by Traffic Court, or by your Commanding Officer. Your Commanding Officer has the right to revoke this privilege without the need for any administrative action to be taken against you.
 b. The operation of a privately owned vehicle on Okinawa also carries significant risks, Under Japanese Law driving a motor vehicle is considered to be a profession and traffic accidents which result in personal injury or death frequently lead to

criminal prosecution of the driver involved for violation of Article 211 of the Penal Code of Japan, "Injury of Death thoughts Occupational/Professional Negligence," In cases of serious injury or death, drivers who are in the least bit negligent may be charged, The successful resolution of such cases requires the rendering of customary condolence call and the payment of compensation, through insurance or out-of pocket. The operation of a privately-owned vehicle also exposes U.S. Forces personnel to prosecution by Japanese authorities for DUI/DWI, speeding, and other traffic offenses. The Japanese criminal justice system is very different from our own, and can be a difficult experience, All personnel are therefore advised to carefully weight the decision to apply for a POV SOFA license, Personnel on unaccompanied tours who do not have a particular need for a POV should consider opting not to obtain a POV SOFA license.

c. Once a drivers license has been granted and the duties and responsibilities of a driver technically accepted, it is that individuals responsibility to do everything in their power to drive without having a traffic accident, In order to do so, the driver must keep their attitude and car in good condition at all times.

3. ROAD-SIGNS.

a. The road signs used in Japan/Okinawa are the international road signs. These signs are available at your local Division of Motor Vehicle office. It is highly recommended that you obtain a copy of the international road signs and study them prior to arriving on Okinawa.

SECTION II JAPANESE TRAFFIC LAWS

1. Traffic Lanes

a. A primary traffic rule in Japan is that vehicles always keep to the left side of the road. However, a vehicle may partially cross or entirely cross to the right half of the road in the following cases:

(1) Whenever you are on a multi-lane road, or the road is open to one way traffic only.

(2) Whenever the width of the left half of the road is insufficient for a vehicle to proceed.

(3) Whenever a vehicle is unable to proceed on the left half of the road due to road damage, road construction work, or other impediments.

(4) Whenever attempting to pass another vehicle on a road where the width of the left half is less than 6 meters and road conditions permit passing.

b. A solid or broken white line in the center of the road marks the center line, and vehicles may pass other vehicles under the conditions prescribed in (3) and (4) above; however, vehicles will be driven so that crossing over the center line is kept to a minimum, The following markings on the roadway prohibit passing:

(1) Yellow center line - No passing for either side.

(2) Yellow line on both sides of center line - No passing for either lane.

(3) Yellow line on one side of the center line - No passing for the lane in which the yellow line appears.

c. Whenever the sidewalk is separated from the roadway, all vehicles must travel on the roadway. However, a vehicle may cross a sidewalk when this is the only way to enter or leave a location or facility.

d. When paragraph (c), above applies, the vehicle must come to a complete stop before proceeding onto a sidewalk. Pedestrian traffic on the sidewalk has the right-of-way at all times.

e. Vehicles must not be driven into safety zones at any time (appendix B: Article 120a(2) and 122).

f. Specific Lanes Designated for Various Types of Vehicles. On a road where vehicle traffic lanes are provided, vehicles are required to travel in the specific lanes designated for that type of vehicle.

g. Passage of Vehicles in Public Bus Priority Lanes. In lanes designated by road markings as a priority lane for public buses, school buses, and taxi cabs:

(1) Other vehicles are required to move out of the priority lane instantly when a bus approaches from the rear.

(2) No other vehicle can travel in the priority lane when difficulty may arise in moving out of the priority lane when a bus approaches from the rear.

h. Bus Exclusive Lanes. Bus exclusive lanes are

for buses, taxicabs with passengers and motorcycles exclusively, The only time you are allowed in the bus exclusive lane with your automobile is if you have to make a left hand turn, In this instance, you can move into the bus exclusive lane just prior to your turn, provided you do not interfere with a bus or taxicab coming up from your rear.

i. Protection Of Public Buses Leaving Bus Stops. When a public bus is signaling leave a bus stop, no vehicle will interfere with the bus doing so unless the vehicle will be required to change its speed or direction of travel abruptly. You should remember that you are a professional driver, and professional drivers never have to change their speed or direction of travel abruptly.

j. Motorcycles are restricted to the far left hand lane on highway 58 from Naha Port to Kadena Circle except within 30 meters (100 feet) of making a right hand turn. Japanese Traffic Laws require that all motorcyclists wear HELMETS regardless of the size of the motorcycle. In addition to wearing a helmet, the Marine Corps requires operators to wear a reflective vest on and off base. This vest must be international orange with reflective material on the front and back, passengers are also required to wear this same type of vest.

2. Traffic Rules for Vehicles, etc., on Normal Roads

a. Methods for Travel Designated by Road Markings

(1) Vehicles will not enter any area of the roadway that is marked off to preclude vehicular traffic.

(2) Vehicles must come to a complete stop at all stop lines when they are provided, and at crosswalks, or uncontrolled intersections where stopping is required.

b. Traffic Lanes on Multiple Lane Road. When there are three or more lanes provided in the same direction, the right most lane is a passing lane; however, vehicles can travel in other lanes in accordance with their speed as designated by the Cabinet Order.

c. Prohibition of Changing Direction of Travel. No vehicle can change its direction of travel without sufficient reason regardless of whether a turning lane is provided or not.

3. Traffic Rules for Motor Vehicles on National

Motor Vehicle

Expressways and Exclusive Roads for Motor Vehicles

a. Any motor vehicle intending to enter the main lane roadway must use the speed accelerating lane if provided.

b. Any motor vehicle intending to leave the main lane roadway must travel in the lane closest to the exit, or use the speed decelerating lane if provided.

c. Japanese traffic laws require occupants in the front seats of a private motor vehicle to wear their seat belts at all times, however, Marine Corps Order 5100.19C states: "All personnel operating, or riding in private motor vehicles shall wear their seat belts at all times." This applies to off base as well as when you are on a military installation.

d. Any motor vehicle attempting to enter a main lane roadway, must not obstruct the passage of vehicles already traveling in the main lane roadway.

e. Being a professional driver, it is your responsibility to insure that your vehicle has the proper amount of items,, such as, fuel, oil, and water, and that cargo etc., is properly secured prior to traveling on the national expressways and roads exclusively for vehicles. Should you violate this provision by not meeting your requirements as a professional driver and run out of gas, or break down, and have to leave your vehicle on, or along side of the main travel lane, you will be subject to penalty. You will also be subject to fine and penal action should any part of a load you are carrying fall or be dispersed or scattered on the roadway subject to a maximum of three months penal servitude and/or a maximum fine of 30,000 yen. The negligent offender is subject to a maximum fine of 50,000 yen (violations of driver obligations while operating on the national expressways, etc.).

f. Should you have to stop your vehicle due to malfunction or breakdown, etc., on traffic lanes, the road shoulder or zone along side of a national expressway, etc., you must clearly indicate that your motor vehicle is so stopped by the use of an emergency warning device.

g. Vehicles traveling on the national expressways must be equipped with a triangular warning device, Warning devices are available at the exchange service stations and car care centers.

h. If you must stop your vehicle on the national

expressway at night, you are required to turn on your parking lights or emergency flashers. Even though it is not required, it is recommended that you use your emergency flashers or parking lights any time your vehicle breaks down, on the national expressway or not.

4. Speed Limits

a. As contained in the Japanese Road Law, the maximum speed limits for motor vehicles operating outside U.S. Forces installations are as follows unless otherwise posted:

(1) For all trucks (3 and 4-wheeled) under 5 tons and all passenger vehicles (including buses and motorcycles with 251cc engine displacement and higher), the maximum speed is 60 kilometers per hour.

(2) For trucks over 5 tons, all special vehicles (e.g., wreckers), and motor scooters and motorcycles under 251cc, the maximum speed is 50 kilometers per hour.

(3) For any 2-wheeled vehicle under 51cc displacements, the maximum speed is 30 kilometers per hour.

b. When you operate your vehicle on a high speed highway, or any section of a road so designated by the public safety commission, you will not operate your vehicle slower than the minimum posted speed limit unless the reduction of speed is prudent due to road or weather conditions.

c. When you are operating your vehicle in Japan, you will probably notice that your speed is now figured in kilometers rather than miles per hour. A kilometer is approximately five-eighths (5/8) of a mile or one kilometer is approximately 0.62 miles. For example, the number "50" on a speed limit sign doesn't mean 50 miles per hour, but 50 kilometers, or approximately 31 miles per hour. Speedometers on all Japanese and most European cars register in kilometers rather than in miles.

JAPANESE TRAFFIC SIGNS INDICATE LEGAL SPEEDS IN KILOMETERS PER HOUR, NOT MILES PER HOUR

Kilometers	Miles
20	12

25	16
30	19
35	22
40	25
45	28
50	31
55	34
60	37
70	44
80	50
90	56
100	62

5. Distance Between Vehicles.

a. Whenever you are following another vehicle, Japanese law requires that you maintain enough distance to prevent colliding with the vehicle immediately in front of you if it should suddenly come to a halt. You should always follow the minimum two-second rule to insure you are keeping a safe following distance. Whenever you intend to change your direction or traffic lane, Japanese law requires you to ensure that there is enough distance between your vehicle and the vehicle approaching from the rear. This is to prevent the latter from running into your vehicle if you should suddenly come to a halt upon changing your direction or traffic lane.

6. Passing

a. Passing violations cause a high percentage of accidents. Extreme care must be used at all times when passing another vehicle.

b. A vehicle attempting to overtake and pass another vehicle must pass on the right side of the vehicle being overtaken. Passing on the left is prohibited except when a vehicle is stopped and turning to the right and it is safe to pass on the left. Here are a few "Passing Don'ts":

(1) Do not pass the vehicle ahead of you if the driver indicated he intends to pass, or he appears about to pass another vehicle (dual passing).

(2) Do not pass if the vehicle ahead is proceeding paralleled with and at the same speed (side by side) as another vehicle.

(3) Passing is also prohibited:

(a) At intersections

(b) On turns or curves

(c) Near the top of upgrades and on steep downgrades.

(d) Inside tunnels and at railroad crossings.

(e) In "No Passing" zones,, so marked by road signs.

(4) Where passing is prohibited, changing the direction of travel for passing or traveling past the front vehicle is also prohibited.

(5) Passing is also prohibited, on crosswalks, and intersections, or within 30 meters (approx. 100 feet) of them, Passing however, in an intersection and in the area within 30 meters (approx. 100 feet) from it is not prohibited for any vehicle traveling on a priority road. (Priority roads are identified by a centerline or lane dividing lines drawn in the intersection.) (Article 30, Para 1, Sub-para 3).

c. Vehicle drivers will not cut into lanes of traffic that are proceeding slowly or are stopped. This applies not only to intersections, but any place where traffic is proceeding at a slow pace.

d. A vehicle must not overtake or pass another motor vehicle within 30 meters of a crosswalk, (Overtaking and passing are two different actions under Japanese law,) "Passing" means going around the vehicle in front of you on a two-way street by passing them on the right. "Overtaking" refers to one vehicle going past another vehicle on a one-way or multi-lane road.

7. Parking and Stopping

a. No parking zones have a definite purpose. They are designed to keep traffic moving smoothly. It is true that parking spaces are sometimes difficult to find, particularly in the larger cities, but that is no excuse for parking in a no parking zone.

b. Drivers are cautioned not to stop or park their vehicles at places on the road such as the ones listed below, except:

(1) When coming to a temporary stop in accordance with the law, or in compliance with an order from a police officer or to avert danger.

(2) At an intersection or in a crosswalk.

(3) Within 5 meters or less from the outer perimeter (edge) or an intersection or a corner of a

road.

(4) At the left side of a safety zone, or within 10 meters or less from either end of a safety zone on a road, if so provided.

(5) Within 10 meters or less from a signpost or signboard indicating a bus stop or railroad crossing. (This applies only during the operational hours of buses.)

(6) Near the top of an upgrade.

(7) On a steep grade.

(8) Within 5 meters of a pedestrian crosswalk.

(9) At any other place the Public Safety Commission has erected no parking, or no parking or stopping signs in the interest of safety and to promote safe and orderly traffic.

c. When parking where parking meters are installed, you are required to activate the meter. Meters are installed to limit the time you can legally park, therefore, if you exceed the time limit, you are considered to be illegally parked.

d. The fine for illegal parking or stopping is 5,000 yen.

e. If your car is illegally parked, there is a good chance that it will be towed away. If your car is towed, you will be required to pay 10,000 yen for the towing charge, and you will also have to pay 500 yen per hour to cover the storage charge, these charges must be paid before you can recover your vehicle.

8. Prohibited Parking

a. Parking your vehicle in any of the places listed below is a violation of Japanese law if permission to park is not received from the chief of a police station:

(1) Within 3 meters or less from a motor vehicle entrance or exitway adjoining a road where a facility is established or space is allocated outside the road for taking on or discharging people, loading or unloading cargo, parking or motor vehicle storage or repair.

(2) Within 5 meters or less from a fire station, or from the side of a water reservoir used for firefighting purposes, or from the entrance or

exitway of the above adjoining road.

(3) Within 5 meters or less from a fire hydrant, or any other water supply identified for fire-fighting purposes.

(4) Within 1 meter or less from a fire alarm.

(5) Within 5 meters or less from either end or side of construction project on a road that is under construction.

(6) All roadways within U.S. Forces installations are designated as fire lanes and parking on them is prohibited except when otherwise authorized. Also, parking in grassed areas on U.S. Installations is prohibited. Further, the public Safety Commission may designate other places as no parking zones when necessary to prevent danger on the road and to promote safe and orderly traffic.

b. No vehicle will be parked in any place where there is less than 3.5 meters of space remaining on the road on the right side of the vehicle. However, this does not apply when a driver does not leave their vehicle or stops to load or unload cargo, or when the driver leaves their vehicle but is able to commence operation immediately, or when such parking is necessary for the rescue of sick or wounded persons.

9. Passage etc, of Vehicles at Intersections

a. Right-of-way at an uncontrolled intersection:

(1) Any vehicle on a priority road has the right-of-way.

(2) Any vehicle traveling on a wider road has the right-of-way.

(3) Any vehicle approaching the intersection on the left has the right-of-way over the vehicle on the right.

(4) Any roadway with a centerline or vehicle traffic lanes provided through the intersection is the priority road and has the right-of-way.

b. Any vehicle entering or traveling in the intersection is required to pay attention to other vehicles in the intersection as well as pedestrians crossing the road in or close to the intersection. Additionally, all vehicles must travel at the safest possible speed, and in the safest possible manner while in a intersection in accordance with

conditions of the intersection.

c. Vehicles must not enter an intersection, even if you have a green traffic signal, if it will become necessary for you to stop in the intersection due to traffic conditions ahead, i.e, rush hour traffic.

d. When intending to travel through a crosswalk, railroad crossing, or other portion of the road marked off with road markings, vehicles will not enter it if they may have to stop in it due to traffic conditions.

e. A left turn on a red light after a complete stop is AGAINST JAPANESE TRAFFIC LAWS, except when permitted by a traffic control device (green signal arrow or a white sign with a blue arrow).

10. How to Stop

a. When a vehicle is stopped to take on or discharge people or to load or unload cargo, it must be stopped as close as possible to the left edge of the roadway and in such a manner that it will not impede other traffic. However, on a one-way street, and if designated by the Public Safety commission, you may park your vehicle along the right edge of the roadway.

b. No operator of a vehicle can make an abrupt stop or apply their brakes suddenly except when it is unavoidable to avert danger.

11. How to Park.

a. When you park your vehicle, you must park on the left side of the road in such a manner that it will not interfere with the flow of traffic on the roadway. Wherever the roadway and sidewalk are not separate, and when designated by the Public Safety Commission, your vehicle must be parked along the left edge of the road, 0,5 meters from the edge of the roadway and toward the centerline of the road. When parking your vehicle, the hand brake should always be set with the vehicle left in gear.

12. Limitation on Parking Time.

a. The Public Safety Commission may designate a parking place and impose a time limit on continuous parking of the same vehicle in the same area, whenever necessary because of road or traffic conditions.

13. Measures Against Illeqal Parking

a. A police officer may order an operator of a vehicle to move their vehicle or to park it in a difference manner, whenever it appears that the vehicle will seriously obstruct traffic or cause a traffic hazard. When the operator is not near the vehicle, the officer may have the vehicle moved up to 50 meters from where it was parked.

b. When moving the vehicle 50 meters does not prevent the traffic hazard, or promote orderly traffic flow, the police officer will report the situation to the Chief of the police station which has jurisdiction over the area where the vehicle is parked. The Chief of the police station then assumes custody of the vehicle. Any expense incurred for moving the vehicle, assuming custody, or posting of public notices WILL be borne by the owner or user of the vehicle.

c. Whenever the Chief of the police station assumes custody of a vehicle under the above conditions, he will notify the owner or user of the date and time that custody was assumed and where the vehicle is held. The Chief of the police station will take necessary measures for the prompt return of the vehicle to its owner or user. If the name and address of the owner or user of the vehicle cannot be ascertained, a public notice will be posted as prescribed by a Cabinet Order.

14. Signals

a. When making a left turn, right turn, U-turn, or crossing, slowing down, stopping, backing up, or changing lanes while proceeding in one direction, you, as a professional driver are required to render the proper direction indicator (turn signal) or hand signal at least 30 meters prior to your intended action, and you must continue the signal until you have completed your action. Erroneous signaling (such as signaling for a right turn and then going left) is punishable under Japanese law.

b. Once you have completed your turn or other changing action, you must insure that your signal cancels, or you deactivate the signal yourself. Using your signal when you do not actually change your direction of travel is also prohibited, i.e., leaving your left or right signal on when parked along side of the road.

15. Use of Horn.

a. As a professional driver, you must not sound your horn except when it is required by law or when it is essential in order to avert danger.

16. Rules of the Road to be Observed by Operators

a. As a professional driver, you must take all necessary measures to prevent items from falling off or scattering from your vehicle.

b. Prior to opening your vehicle door, you must insure that it can be done safely without interfering with, or causing a hazard to traffic. You also must insure that your passengers do not open their doors or get out of your vehicle without insuring they can do it safely.

c. You also must take all necessary actions to insure that your vehicle is not stolen or used without your permission, i.e., removing your ignition key and locking the steering wheel, and locking all doors.

17. Keep your Vehicle in Good Shape

a. All motor vehicles come off the assembly line missing one very important item, an item you can't buy at any auto parts store --- a brain. Your vehicle can't steer itself, and it has no idea when it needs required repairs. It doesn't know when its tires are worn, or when its in need of a tune-up or its brakes aren't working properly. You as a professional driver know the importance of having your vehicle in proper running order, but, you keep putting it off by saying, "I'll take care of it payday", it seems payday never comes. Gambling on your life and the lives of others is a dangerous game. Don't wait until its too late to repair your car.

b. Under Japanese Road Laws, police officers have the right to avert traffic danger by pulling a vehicle off to the side of the road when it is not mechanically fit to be on the road. The officer then may give the driver an itemized list of what needs to be done to make the vehicle safe. If the officer deems necessary, he may affix a sticker to the front of the unsafe vehicle, clearly visible to all, denoting that the vehicle is in need of maintenance. No person may remove or destroy this sticker. This sticker can only be removed after all discrepancies to the vehicle have been repaired, and approval to remove the sticker has been received from the administrative agency exercising authority over the vehicles maintenance, or the nearest Chief of a police station in accordance with precedence set forth in a Prime Ministers Office Order or a

Ministry of Transportation Order.

c. If you own a vehicle, you are required to present your vehicle to a qualified mechanic and the military police for a safety inspection as scheduled below:

(1) Vehicles under 10 years old must be inspected every two years.

(2) Vehicles over 10 years old must be inspected every year. No person whose vehicle fails to meet the established standards will receive a safety inspection decal. Any vehicle which does not pass the safety inspection, or has had the safety inspection decal expire, may not be operated.

SEE OKINAWA DRIVER'S MANUAL PART # 2

Name: Drivers License, Navy, Kadena Air Base, Bldg 3571

Address: PSC 480

City: FPO

Phone: 011-81-611-734-8212

FAX: 011-81-611-734-8214

DSN Phone: 634-8212

DSN FAX: 634-8214

Name: OKINAWA DRIVER'S MANUAL PART # 2

Address: Driver License, MCB, Camp Foster, Bldg 5831

City: FPO, FPO AP 96373--5001

Phone: 011-81-611-745-3369

FAX: 011-81-611-745-7838

DSN Phone: 645-3369

DSN FAX: 645-7838

Comments:

18. Always Carry Proper Driving_Forms

a. The only driver's license valid for use on Okinawa by U.S. Forces personnel while operating privately owned vehicles is the USFJ Form 4 (Operator's permit for civilian Vehicles).

b. To receive the USFJ Form 4, you must report to Marine Corps Base, Camp Smedley D, Butler Safety Office with a valid stateside (or U.S. Territory) drivers license and satisfactorily complete required examinations.

c. If you employ an Okinawan chauffeur, they are required to have a USFJ Form 4 issued by the Safety Office, in addition to a Government of Japan drivers license.

d. You are required to have your operator's permit on your person at all times when operating a vehicle. Complying with this simple requirement may prove more important than you realize. Don't risk driving without it.

e. The forms you are required to have to operate a privately owned vehicle are as follows: USFJ Form 4; Military Registration and Certificate of title of motor vehicle (DD Form 430); Japanese Vehicle Inspection Card and Tax Stamp; Vehicle Registration Decal (the Japanese Inspection Decal will be displayed in the middle portion of the windshield behind the interior rear view -mirror); and if the vehicle is operated by anyone, other than the owner or a member of the owners family, for more than 24 hours, that individual must have a power of attorney authorizing their use of the vehicle.

f. Every owner of a privately owned vehicle within the U.S. Forces in Japan/Okinawa must carry two types of insurance which provides coverage both on and off military installations.

(1) The first type, a minimum \$5,000 property damage, is required by U.S. Military law and may

be purchased from either an authorized Japanese firm or a stateside company licensed to do business in Japan.

(2) The second is a 15,000,000 yen liability policy required by Japanese law. It must be purchased from a firm licensed by Japan. Japanese law requires vehicle owners to carry in their car at all times, a form certifying that the second type of policy has been purchased and is paid up. The form is issued by the firm selling the policy and must be registered at the provost marshals office where the car was registered.

g. No one may operate a motor vehicle or motorized bicycle without an operator's permit.

19. What to do in case of an accident.

a. Despite traffic laws and precautions taken by drivers, accidents will still happen. If you become involved in an accident, whether it is your fault or not, you should know what to do. If you, as the driver, are involved in an accident, you must stop, identify yourself, and exchange personal data with others involved. If the traffic accident involves more than minor property damage, you must, unless incapacitated, attend to the injured to the best of your ability, and not leave the scene of the accident until military and/or civil law enforcement personnel authorize your departure. You are required to report all accidents (major and minor) to the nearest provost marshals office in the area in which the accident occurred. Civil law also requires that a report of an accident be submitted immediately to local civil police authorities. No person may operate a vehicle while under the influence of alcohol, physical strain, or the effects of a medicine or any other drug.

20. Watch for Pedestrians

a. Being a professional driver, you must operate your vehicle in such a manner as to not splash mud or water on pedestrians. Splashing of mud or water on a pedestrian is a violation of the law, and can be prevented by equipping your vehicle with mud-guards or by slowing down.

b. When you see a blind or deaf person walking with their white cane, or a child is walking alone without any attending guardian, you must make a temporary stop or slow down and not interfere with their passage or walking.

NOTE: Japanese children are taught that raising

their arm in the air means stop. You as a driver have to watch out for these children as they have a habit of not looking or stopping before they cross the street.

c. Whenever a pedestrian is using, or waiting to use a marked crosswalk, you must slow your vehicle, or make a temporary stop and not interfere with their passage or walking. A pedestrian using a crosswalk has the right of way over vehicles at all times. If you are the pedestrian, you must also realize that at a controlled intersection, you must obey the traffic/pedestrian signals also.

d. In general, you must be constantly on the watch for pedestrians while operating your vehicle. You must slow down when passing established safety zones on the right half of the road, and you must be prepared to avert danger from other vehicles by driving defensively at all times (Appendix B; Art 120a (9)).

e. Any vehicle approaching a crosswalk is required to travel at such a speed as to be able to stop before entering the crosswalk if necessary, except when there are no pedestrians apparently attempting to cross it. When the pedestrian(s) is crossing or attempting to cross it ahead, the vehicle must stop and not interfere with the travel of the pedestrian(s).

21. Exception to Left Hand Traffic.

a. On the road where no sidewalk is provided, pedestrians must keep to the right in principle; however, when it is dangerous to do so or it is unavoidable not to do so, pedestrians can walk along the left edge of the road. For example:

(1) When it is dangerous to walk due to a cliff on the right side.

(2) When the danger increases by having to cross the road several times to stop at several shops or other places.

(3) When the blind are guided by a seeing eye dog that has been trained to keep to the left.

(4) When parked vehicles, etc. obstruct right hand traffic.

(5) Diagonal crossing at intersections is prohibited in principle; however, pedestrians can cross by the way of diagonal crosswalks where they are provided.

22. Things to Remember

a. Any time you are using your vehicle to go anywhere where alcohol is being served, insure that you assign a designated driver to get everyone home safe. Make sure that your designated driver has a USFJ Form 4, so they can legally drive.

b. When you are driving at night time during inclement weather you have to pay close attention to your driving. The Japanese do not use reflective material in their paint and the road markings tend to disappear when wet.

c. Never follow another vehicle too closely; it may stop suddenly. Always keep a safe distance from other vehicles so that you can stop in an emergency without having an accident.

d. You must keep your interior dome lights turned off while your vehicle is in motion. Exceptions are buses, taxis, and other vehicles that are permitted or required by law to keep their dome lights on.

e. When approaching a raised bus island where passengers are loading or unloading, you must slow down to 10 kilometers per hour. If passengers are debarking or loading where there is no raised bus island, you are required to come to a stop.

f. When you hear a siren indicating that an emergency vehicle is approaching you, you must pull over to the left as far as possible and come to a complete stop until the emergency vehicle has passed. On a one-way street or multi-lane road, it is permissible to stop on the right side so the emergency vehicle can proceed on the left.

g. There is one Japanese custom you are expected to follow if you should become involved in a fatality or personal injury accident the "condolence procedures". This is the Japanese custom of making a personal visit to the injured party (or family of the deceased) to express sympathy.

h. After each accident or mishap that results in the death of a Japanese national whether suffered by an employee in connection with their employment or resulting from acts or omissions by U.S. Forces personnel acting in the performance of official duties, a representative of the unit or staff office (an appropriate senior officer) should:

(1) Pay a call of condolence at the home of the deceased as expeditiously as possible.

(2) Express sympathy and regrets to the next of kin.

(3) Learn the desires of the family regarding attendance at the funeral.

(4) Attend the funeral, unless such attendance conflicts with the expressed desires of the family.

(5) Present to the family before or during the funeral, an appropriate floral tribute and/or a token money offering, if voluntary contributions are received which makes such an action possible. Customarily, money offerings are presented to the family of the deceased by guests at the funeral and are used to defray funeral expenses. The amount of the offering varies according to circumstances. The money is always presented in special wrapper available at Okinawan stationary stores.

i. Serious injury to one or more Japanese Nationals, whether suffered by an employee in connection with their employment or resulting from acts or omissions by U. S. Forces personnel acting in the performance of official duties, a representative of the unit or staff office should pay one or more comfort visits. Fruit or floral tributes, or sum of money specially wrapped and voluntarily donated to defray known serious financial hardships faced by the family of the injured person(s), may be presented during these visits.

j. Gestures of sympathy should also be made when Japanese employees of the U.S. Forces face serious personal or family misfortunes not listed above.

k. Military and civilian members of U.S. Forces, and their dependents, who become involved in any accident or mishap that results in the death or serious injury of, or misfortune to, a Japanese National under circumstances other than those described above are advised to:

(1) Make expressions of condolence similar to those described above. Unit commanders or Chief of Staff officers as applicable, will determine the amount of the solarium payment to an individual, on a case by case basis. Consideration will be given to the extent of the injury and the economic condition of the individual injured or, in the case of death, the economic condition of the surviving family. The payment will be offered in the name of the unit or organization of the individual involved in the injury or death.

(2) Consult with representatives of their insurance company before you initiate condolence actions relative to an incident arising from the operation of a privately owned vehicle.

l. During condolence actions, remarks that might be construed as an admission of liability, should not be voiced.

m. The observance of these courtesies does not constitute an acceptance by you, or assumes you are responsible for the accident. It is an expression of sympathy only, and may be of considerable importance if legal action is taken against you.

n. If you require additional information on condolence actions, refer to Base Order 5720.6_, or contact your unit's legal assistance officer.

23. The Traffic point System

a. The "Traffic Point System" is a method by which commanders and supervisors may evaluate the driving habits and performance of personnel under their jurisdiction or administrative control.

b. This system assesses specific points against the driving record of personnel who have been judged guilty of violating traffic laws, on or off U.S. installations.

c. The Provost Marshal will advise the commander or supervisor of the accumulation of points on each traffic violation forwarded.

d. The commander will counsel the individual on safe driving practices and warn them that their privilege of operating a private motor vehicle is in jeopardy.

e. When the violator's point accumulation reaches 12, traffic court, under the authority of the Base Inspector, will revoke the drivers license, and inform the violator's command of the action taken.

f. Points assessed against an individual will remain in effect for a 24 month period. The expiration of a suspension period will cause the removal of all points assessed.

g. If an individual is apprehended for operating a motor vehicle while his operator's permit is suspended, action will be taken to convert their suspension to a permanent revocation.

24. Traffic Fine Procedure

a. The traffic fine system in Japan is a procedure under which a person who commits certain offenses in violation of the traffic laws is exempt from criminal prosecution by paying a sum of money fixed by law or ordinance at a post office or banking facility.

b. If you violate any traffic law, you will be given a violation ticket, to include the sum of the traffic fine, by a police official. If you have any doubt about the alleged violation, you may report to a senior police official and express your opinion.

c. You may pay your traffic fine at a Japanese post office, or at any Bank of Japan, or other bank having an agent of the Bank of Japan, Payment cannot be made directly to the Japanese police. Fines may be paid in two ways:

(1) You must pay your traffic ticket within 7 days of receipt of the citation, (one day is added if the seventh day falls on a Sunday or a Japanese holiday). This system is called provisional payment. If you follow this procedure, you are not required to report to the police station.

(2) In some instances, you may be required to report to a senior police official at the police station designated on your violation ticket, (within 10 days, if a specific date to report is not listed on your ticket) prior to paying your fine. If you do not report to the police station or pay your fine as outlined in (1) above, a notification will be mailed to you by certified mail. When this notification is mailed, you must pay the certified postal charges in addition to your traffic fine.

d. If you fail to pay your traffic fine, you may be prosecuted under regular criminal procedures and possible criminal punishment by the Japanese Courts.

25. Offenses and Fines.

a. Traffic tickets issued by Japanese police will indicate the offense and the amount of the fine. In rare cases, the amount of the fine shown on the traffic ticket may be changed at the Notification Center, and you could be either reimbursed for making an overpayment, or required to pay an additional cost. Appendix (A) contains a list of offenses and fines.

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b. Use common sense at all times, whether you are driving or walking. Don't forget the simple things, such as, closing the doors on your vehicles and using all safety devices that you may have in your vehicle. Avoid jumping from moving vehicles or hanging out the windows of them.

c. By showing your respect for Japanese Traffic Laws, you become a good personal ambassador to Japan. This respect will further cement the harmonious relations between the United States and Japan. This will reveal our good faith towards Japan and her people by proving Americans obey the laws of other countries as well as their own.

Name: Pass & ID Marine Corps, Camp Foster Bldg 339
Address: UNIT 35001 MCB
City: FPO 96373- 5001
Phone: 011-81-611-745-2239
FAX: 011-81-611-745-3759
DSN Phone: 645-2239
DSN FAX: 645-3759

Name: Pass & ID Marine Corps, Camp Hansen, Bldg 2508
Address: UNIT 35001 MCB
City: FPO 96373- 5001
Phone: 011-81-611-723-7339
FAX: 011-81-611-745-3759
DSN Phone: 623-7339
DSN FAX: 645-3759

Name: Pass & ID Marine Corps, Camp Kinser, Bldg 912
Address: UNIT 35001 MCB
City: FPO 96373- 5001
Phone: 011-81-611-737-1706
FAX: 011-81-611-745-3759
DSN Phone: 637-1706
DSN FAX: 645-3759

Name: Pass & ID Navy, Kadena Air Base, Bldg 3554
Address: PSC 480
City: FPO 96370--1700
Phone: 011-81-611-734-6841
FAX: 011-81-611-734-6305
DSN Phone: 634-6841
DSN FAX: 634-6305

Name: Vehicle Registration, Camp Foster, Bldg 5638
Address: UNIT 35025, MCB PMO
City: FPO 96373--5025
Phone: 011-81-611-745-7481
FAX: 011-81-611-745-2504
DSN Phone: 645-7481
DSN FAX: 645-2504

Commonly Referenced Numbers

International Calls (originating outside Japan) to On Base Country Code: 81 Area Code: 611 Specific Exchange/number: 7XX-XXXX

Replace the Xs with the last five numbers of the phone you want to reach. For example if the number in Okinawa is 555-5555, then you would dial 011-81-611-755-5555 (the 011 is the international access code for the U.S.).

International Calls (originating outside Japan) to Off Base Country Code: 81 Area Code: 098 Specific Exchange/number: XXX-XXXX

Replace the Xs with the phone number you want to reach. For example if the number in Okinawa is 555-5555, then you would dial 011-81-098-555-5555 (the 011 is the international access code for the U.S.).

Base Operator Commercial Phone Numbers

If you are off base in Okinawa you must dial the number below followed by the on-base number you are calling.

Note: When you first connect with the base you will hear another dial tone, you can dial the base extension (seven digits) at that time.

Camp Foster: 892-5111 FT Buckner: 892-5111
Camp Kinser: 892-5111
MCAS Futenma: 892-5111 Naval Hospital: 892-5111
Torii Station/Hanza: 892-5111 White Beach: 892-5111
Camp Courtney: 972-6700 Camp Gonsalves: 972-6700
Camp Hansen: 972-7200 Camp Henoko/Schwab: 972-6700
Camp McTureous: 972-6700 Courtney HSG: 972-6700
Camp Shields: 938-1111 Chibana HSG: 938-1111
Kadena Air Base: 938-1111 Naha Port: 938-1111

Please refer to Listing for more details.

Commonly Referenced Numbers

<i>Name</i>	<i>Commercial</i>	<i>DSN</i>
American Red Cross	011-81-611-734-1294 After Hours -4611	634-1294 After Hours 634-4611
American Red Cross, Air Force, Manager	011-81-611-734-1294/1979	634-1294/1979
American Red Cross, Camp Courtney	011-81-611-722-9782	622-9782
American Red Cross, Camp Hensen	011-81-611-723-4651	623-4651
American Red Cross, Camp Kinser	011-81-611-737-1017	637-1017
American Red Cross, Marine Corps, Manager	011-81-611-745-3800	645-3800
Bush Medical Clinic, Camp Courtney, Information	011-81-611-722-7632/7633	622-7632/7633
Chaplain, 1st MAW	011-81-611-745-7539	645-7539
Chaplain, III MEF	011-81-611-722-9555/9554	622-9555/9554
Chaplain, CFAO/NAF	011-81-611-734-6334/35	634-6334/35
Chaplain, Camp Butler	011-81-611-745-7486/3903	645-7486/3903
Chaplain, Camp Butler, Catholic/Protestant	011-81-611-745-7486/3903	645-7486/3903
Chaplain, Camp Courtney Chapel	011-81-611-722-9350	622-9350
Chaplain, Camp Foster	011-81-611-745-2501	645-2501
Chaplain, Camp Hansen East Chapel	011-81-611-723-4519/4832	623-4519/4832
Chaplain, Camp Hansen West Chapel	011-81-611-723-4619	623-4619
Chaplain, Camp Kinser Grp	011-81-611-737-2612/3815	637-2612/3815
Chaplain, Camp Kinser, Catholic	011-81-611-737-1148	637-1148
Chaplain, Camp Schwab Chapel	011-81-611-725-2644	625-2644
Chaplain, Camp Shields Chapel	011-81-611-732-4191/92	632-4191/92
Chaplain, Div Chaplain Catholic	011-81-611-722-9284	622-9284
Chaplain, Div Chaplain Protestant	011-81-611-722-9285	622-9285
Chaplain, MCAS Futenma Chapel	011-81-611-736-3058	636-3058
Chaplain, MCAS Futenma Station Chapel	011-81-611-736-3219/3677	636-3219/3677
Chaplain, Orthodox Christian	011-81-611-722-7313	622-7313
Chaplain, White Beach Chapel	011-81-611-742-2217/25	642-2217/25
Community Bank, Torii Station	011-81-611-731-4313	631-4313
Community Bank, Camp Foster	011-81-611-745-3992	645-3992
Community Bank, Camp Schwab	011-81-611-725-2216	625-2216
Community Bank, Camp Hansen	011-81-611-723-4534	623-4534
Community Bank, Camp Kinser	011-81-611-737-3101	637-3101
Community Bank, Kadena Air Base	011-81-611-734-3042	634-3042
Evans Medical Clinic, Camp Foster, Active Duty Appt	011-81-611-745-7373/7374/7375	645-7373/7374/7375
Evans Medical Clinic, Camp Foster, Communicable Disease	011-81-611-745-7378	645-7378
Evans Medical Clinic, Camp Foster, Dependent Appt	011-81-611-745-7376/7377/7378	645-7376
Evans Medical Clinic, Camp Foster, Physical Examinations	011-81-611-745-2953	645-2953

Family Advocacy Rep	011-81-611-745-2915	645-2915
Futenma Medical Clinic	011-81-611-736-3150	636-3150
Hospital, USN, Camp Lester, Ambulance, (Emergency 911)	634-1111, From off base 892-5111-911	
Hospital, USN, Camp Lester, Emergency Room	643-7338, From off base 098-893-1984	
Hospital, USN, Camp Lester, Information Desk	011-81-611-743-7555/7509	643-7555/7509
Hospital, USN, Camp Lester, Poison Control Center	644-7700	
Housing Maintenance, Camp McTureous	011-81-611-734-6463	634-6463
Housing Maintenance, Camp Shields, Kinser, Courtney, and Chibana	011-81-611-734-6463	634-6463
Housing Maintenance, Kadena Air Base and Camp Foster	011-81-611-734-6463	634-6463
Housing Office, Camp Courtney, Satellite Office	011-81-611-722-7317	622-7317
Housing Office, Camp Kinser, Satellite Office	011-81-611-737-3736	637-3736
Housing Office, Kadena Air Base, Customer Service Rep	011-81-611-734-0587	634-0587
Housing Office, Kadena Air Base, Housing Assignment	011-81-611-734-0182	634-0182
Housing Office, Kadena Air Base, Housing Assistance Section	011-81-611-734-0582/0583	634-0582/0583
Housing Office, Kadena Air Base, Housing Inspection Section	011-81-611-734-1374	634-1374
Housing Office, Kadena Air Base, Joint Housing Referral Office	011-81-611-734-1140	634-1140
Housing Office, Kadena Air Base, Tower Complex Manager	011-81-611-734-4663	634-4663
Kinser Medical Clinic, Camp Kinser, Information	011-81-611-737-1881	637-1881
Marine Corps, Housing Maintenance	011-81-611-734-6463	634-6463
Marine Corps, Officer of the Day, Camp Courtney	011-81-611-722-9608	622-9608
Marine Corps, Officer of the Day, MACG-18	011-81-611-736-3426	636-3426
Marine Corps, Officer of the Day, MCB	011-81-611-745-7218	645-7218
Marine Corps, Officer of the Day, 1st MAW	011-81-611-745-7218	645-7218
Marine Corps, Officer of the Day, 3rd FSSG	011-81-611-737-3002	637-3002
Marine Corps, Officer of the Day, Camp Foster	011-81-611-745-7311	645-7311
Marine Corps, Officer of the Day, Camp Hansen	011-81-611-723-4650	623-4650
Marine Corps, Officer of the Day, Camp Henoko (Ammo Co)	011-81-611-725-2415	625-2415
Marine Corps, Officer of the Day, Camp Kinser	011-81-611-737-3002	637-3002

Marine Corps, Officer of the Day, Camp Schwab	011-81-611-725-2600	625-2600
Marine Corps, Officer of the Day, III MEF	011-81-611-722-7708	622-7708
Marine Corps, Officer of the Day, MCAS Futenma	011-81-611-736-3007	636-3007
Military Police (Emergency 911)	011-81-611-745-7441/7442	645-7441/7442
Naval Investigative Service	011-81-611-745-0506	645-0506
Navy Federal Credit, Camp Courtney	011-81-611-722-6832/6833	622-6832/6833
Navy Federal Credit, Camp Foster	011-81-611-745-7331/7332	645-7331/7332
Navy Federal Credit, Camp Hansen	011-81-611-723-5062/5067	623-5062/5067
Navy Federal Credit, Camp Kinser	011-81-611-737-2466/2342	637-2466/2342
Navy Federal Credit, Camp Schwab	011-81-611-725-3863	625-3863
Navy Federal Credit, MCAS Futenma	011-81-611-736-4200/4201	636-4200/4201
OMEGA Travel, Kadena Air Base	011-81-611-733-0411	633-0411
OMEGA Travel, Kadena Air Base, AMC Terminal	011-81-611-733-2868	633-2868
Officer of the Day, Navy, CFAO/NAF Kadena Air Base	011-81-611-734-2238	634-2238
Officer of the Day, Navy, Camp Shields	011-81-611-734-5016	634-5016
Officer of the Day, Navy, Naval Dental Clinic	011-81-611-745-7381	645-7381
Officer of the Day, Navy, Naval Security Group Hanza	011-81-611-731-4417	631-4417
Officer of the Day, Navy, US Naval Hospital	011-81-611-731-7555	631-7555
Officer of the Day, Navy, White Beach	011-81-611-731-2244	631-2244
Pentagon Federal Credit Union	011-81-611-733-4505	633-4505
Personal Service Center, Camp Courtney Branch	011-81-611-722-9754	622-9754
Personal Service Center, Camp Foster	011-81-611-745-2104/2106	645-2104/2106
Personal Service Center, Camp Hansen Branch	011-81-611-723-4522	623-4522
Personal Service Center, Camp Kinser Branch	011-81-611-737-2815	637-2815
Personal Service Center, Camp Schwab Branch	011-81-611-725-2622	625-2622
Personal Service Center, MCAS Futenma	011-81-611-736-2140/43	636-2140/43
SATO Travel, Camp Courtney	011-81-611-722-7581	622-7581
SATO Travel, Camp Foster	011-81-611-745-6200	645-6200
SATO Travel, Camp Hansen	011-81-611-723-5403	623-5403
SATO Travel, Camp Kinser	011-81-611-737-0079	637-0079
SATO Travel, Torii Station	011-81-611-744-5245	644-5245
School/Program, Air Force 18MSSQ/MSE	011-81-611-734-1500/4104	634-1500/4104

School/Program, Army	011-81-611-744-4301/4388	644-4301/4388
School/Program, Camp Butler, Central Texas College	011-81-611-745-7391	645-7391
School/Program, Camp Butler, Education Officer	011-81-611-745-3486	645-3486
School/Program, Camp Butler, University of Maryland	011-81-611-745-3488	645-3488
School/Program, Camp Courtney, Central Texas College	011-81-611-722-9259	622-9259
School/Program, Camp Courtney, Education Office	011-81-611-722-9694	622-9694
School/Program, Camp Courtney, University of Maryland	011-81-611-722-9250	622-9250
School/Program, Camp Hansen, Central Texas College	011-81-611-723-4941	623-4941
School/Program, Camp Hansen, Education Office	011-81-611-723-4941	623-4941
School/Program, Camp Hansen, University of Maryland	011-81-611-723-7312	623-7312
School/Program, Camp Kinser, Education Office	011-81-611-737-1821	637-1821
School/Program, Camp Schwab, Education Office	011-81-611-725-2538	625-2538
School/Program, MCAS Futenma, Central Texas College	011-81-611-736-3929	636-3929
School/Program, MCAS Futenma, Education Office	011-81-611-736-3036	636-3036
School/Program, MCAS Futenma, University of Maryland	011-81-611-736-3940	636-3940
School/Program, Navy Education Services	011-81-611-734-8298	634-8298
Temporary Lodging, Courtney Lodge, Camp Courtney	011-81-611-722-9602	622-9602
Temporary Lodging, Hansen Lodge, Camp Hansen	011-81-611-723-7159	623-7159
Temporary Lodging, Kuwae Lodge, Camp Lester	011-81-611-745-9102/7719	645-9102/7719
Traffic Management Office, Marine Corps	011-81-611-734-4270	634-4270
Traffic Management Office, Marine Corps, Personal Property Shipping Office, Camp Foster	011-81-611-745-3097	645-3097
Traffic Management Office, Marine Corps, Personal Property Shipping Office, Camp Hansen	011-81-611-723-4337	623-4337
Traffic Management Office, Marine Corps, Personal Property Shipping Office, Camp Kinser	011-81-611-737-1908	637-1908
Traffic Management Office, Navy, Personal Property	011-81-611-734-3141	634-3141
Transient Billeting, Camp Foster	011-81-611-745-7844/2194	645-7844/2194

Major Unit Listing

For more information on this subject:
Marine Corps Base Camp S. D. Butler

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Major Unit Listing

<i>Unit</i>	<i>Command</i>	<i>Point of Contact</i>	<i>Commercial</i>	<i>DSN</i>	<i>Fax</i>
12th Marines	3rd MarDiv	Officer of the Day	011-81-611-723-7355	623-7355	
3rd FSSG	3rd FSSG	Officer of the Day	011-81-611-737-3002	637-3002 FAX: 637-2719	011-81-611-737-2719
4th Marines	3rd MarDiv	Officer of the Day	011-81-611-725-2600	625-2600	
ComFleet Activities	ComFleet Activities	Officer of the Day	011-81-611-732-7653	632-7653	
HQ BN	Camp Fuji	Officer of the Day	011-81-550-89-6102 ext. 328/329	265-5328	
Hq, 1st MAW	1st MAW	Officer of the Day	011-81-611-745-3746	645-3746	
III MEF	III MEF	Officer of the Day	011-81-611-722-7709	622-7709 FAX: 622-7769	011-81-611-722-7769
MACG-18	1st MAW	Officer of the Day	011-81-611-736-3426	636-3426	
MAG-36	1st MAW	Officer of the Day	011-81-611-736-3020	636-3020	
MCAS Futenma	MCAS Futenma	Officer of the Day	011-81-611-736-3100	636-3100 FAX: 636-3088	011-81-611-736-3088
MWHS-1	1st MAW	Officer of the Day	011-81-611-745-7444/45	645-7444/45	
MWSG-17	1st MAW	Officer of the Day	011-81-611-745-3042	645-3042	
Marine Corps Base	Marine Corps Base	Officer of the Day	011-81-611-745-3746	645-3746 FAX: 645-7279	011-81-611-745-7279
Mobile Construction Battalion	Navy	Officer of the Day	011-81-611-732-4016	632-4016	
Naval Investigative Service		Officer of the Day	011-81-611-745-0506	645-0506	
US Naval Dental Center		Officer of the Day	011-81-611-745-7381	645-7381	
US Naval Hospital		Officer of the Day	011-81-611-743-7555	643-7555	
White Beach	Navy	Officer of the Day	011-81-611-742-2244/05	642-2244/05	

Transportation

AUTOMOBILES: The requirements of vehicle ownership and operation on Okinawa are substantially different from what you may be accustomed to. Shipping any U.S. made vehicle to Japan is discouraged. The current Japanese embargo law prohibits any U.S. made vehicle; 1976 or newer, from entering the country.

A warning to car owners - the salty air climate on Okinawa is extremely corrosive to metal. Therefore, rust can become a big problem. Proper care and maintenance can prevent some rust problems.

There are quite a few expenses involved with owning a vehicle on Okinawa. First, there is the purchase of the vehicle. The prices of used cars on the island are much lower than you would expect to pay in the U.S., with a good car averaging between \$2,600 and \$4,000, depending on the make and year of the car. You don't see too many military people driving new cars, because the used cars are so dependable and inexpensive. New cars on the island are as expensive, if not more expensive, than in the U.S.

The real financial crunch comes when the inspections are due. Military members must have their vehicles undergo a Japanese inspection every two years. The Japanese inspection and the repairs made will cost an average of \$300 to \$500. Additional costs include two types of insurance (American and Japanese) which average about \$250-300 per year and an annual road tax. The road tax ranges from \$30 for small cars to \$100 for larger ones.

Currently, unleaded fuel is offered at the service stations on base for \$1.20 per gallon for self service. Gasoline purchased off base costs about three times as much.

GETTING AROUND: While many opt for private vehicles, they're not necessarily the best form of transportation to use during your tour here. Even if you do already have your mind set, you should know something about the public transportation options you can use, such as shuttle services, on-base and off-base taxis and island wide buses.

SHUTTLE BUS: An inter-camp shuttle service picks up and drops off people between the different camps on the island, according to a set schedule. It is much like a city bus system, except it is free. This shuttle, which runs 5 a.m. to 8 p.m., provides transportation as far north as Camp Schwab, or as far south as

Camp Kinser. If a particular ride is nearing capacity, those wearing a uniform are given priority. On weekends, a liberty bus is available.

PUBLIC BUSES: Sometimes shuttle transportation just isn't flexible enough to meet your personal transportation needs. If that's the case, Okinawa's vast public bus network is an excellent option worth considering. It won't cost you any insurance or other fees, except for the very reasonable fare.

TAXIS: If you don't want to wait for a bus ride home, or you're not interested in driving your own vehicle, taxis are another source of reliable public transportation. Although significantly more expensive than a bus ride, one advantage taxis have over buses, is that most will accept Japanese and American currency. They usually carry a currency exchange rate chart with them, so it's not necessary to know Japanese, and you can always look at the chart yourself if you want to confirm the fare charge.

OFF-ISLAND VACATIONS: Environmental Morale leave (EML) is available on Air Mobility Command aircraft. These flights can go from Okinawa to the United States, Korea, Mainland Japan, Hawaii, etc. All active duty personnel, DOD civilian personnel and their command sponsored dependents are entitled to two trips per year.

Commissary and Exchange Operations

Commissary

Defense Commissary Agency

Manufacturers' coupons are good for 6 months after the expiration date. Baggers work for tips only.

Please refer to Listing for more details.

Exchange

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Name: Defense Commissary Agency, Camp Courtney, Bldg 4131
Address: Unit 5156
City: FPO 96368- 5156
Phone: 011-81-611-722-7559/7590
FAX: 011-81-611-722-7541
DSN Phone: 622-7559/7590
DSN FAX: 622-7541

Name: Defense Commissary Agency, Camp Foster, Bldg 5675
Address: Unit 35156
City: FPO 96378- 5156
Phone: 011-81-611-745-3862/3861
FAX: 011-81-611-745-3865
DSN Phone: 645-3862/3861
DSN FAX: 645-3865

Name: Defense Commissary Agency, Camp Kinser, Bldg 1227
Address: Unit 5156
City: FPO 96368- 5156
Phone: 011-81-611-737-3650/4068
DSN Phone: 637-3650/4068

Name: Defense Commissary Agency, Kadena Air Base, Bldg 407
Address: Unit 5156
City: FPO 96336- 5156
Phone: 011-81-611-734-3640/4088
FAX: 011-81-611-734-4605
DSN Phone: 634-3640/4088
DSN FAX: 634-6405

Name: Exchange, Camp Courtney, Bldg 4131
Phone: 011-81-611-722-6540
DSN Phone: 622-6540

Name: Exchange, Camp Foster, Bldg 1004
Address: Unit 35163
City: FPO 96378- 5163
Phone: 011-81-611-745-4648
FAX: 011-81-611-745-4068
DSN Phone: 645-4648
DSN FAX: 645-4068

Name: Exchange, Camp Hansen, Bldg 2413
Phone: 011-81-611-723-5619
DSN Phone: 623-5619

Name: Exchange, Camp Kinser, Bldg 1227
Address: Unit 35163
City: FPO 96378- 5163
Phone: 011-81-611-737-4460
DSN Phone: 637-4460

Name: Exchange, Camp Lester, Hospital, Bldg 6000
Phone: 011-81-611-745-8011
DSN Phone: 645-8011

Name: Exchange, Camp Schwab, Bldg 3541
Phone: 011-81-611-725-3843
DSN Phone: 625-3843

Name: Exchange, Kadena Air Base, Bldg 413
Phone: 011-81-611-733-4571/4570
DSN Phone: 633-4570/4571

Name: Exchange, MCAS Futenma, Bldg 301
Address: Unit 35163
City: FPO 96378- 5163
Phone: 011-81-611-736-4156
DSN Phone: 636-4156

Name: Exchange, Torii Station
Phone: 011-81-611-744-4502
DSN Phone: 644-4502

Name: Exchange, White Beach, Bldg 1003
Phone: 011-81-611-742-2359
DSN Phone: 642-2359

Local Community

Local Community Overview

How much enjoyment you'll get from your tour here depends entirely on what you're looking for and how you approach the place.

At first thought, it might seem that a speck of coral 67 miles long and 2-14 miles wide could offer few diversions. Okinawa's size is illusory. There are, literally, hundreds of things to do and to see.

There are mountains to climb, forests to explore, hundreds of miles of beaches to laze on, streams to wade in, rapids to shoot, ancient castles to wonder.

Throughout the prefecture are tiny villages where life is measured only by the planting and the harvest. Narrow pathways separate ancient stone walls, behind which are visible the unique, red-tiled roofs of Okinawa, each topped with its fierce countenanced demon chaser, the "shisa" which, again, are found in Japan only.

Fishing villages abound in the south where the men set out each pre-dawn in tiny, wooden boats called "sabani" to ply the coastal waters and coral reefs for their livelihood, while their wives go to moss-covered shrines to pray for their safe return.

But don't restrict yourself to the main island. Okinawa is a collection of more than four score islands and islets, each offering plenty for adventuresome spirits.

Like flowers? Okinawa is filled with them - cherry blossoms in January, when the rest of Japan still is steeped in winter's iciness; azalea's turning the mountains of the northeast coast into pink flame in March and April; lilies covering the hillsides in spring like an orchestra of white trumpets; blood-red deigo (Indian Coral), the prefectural flower by which the elderly predict the number of typhoons which will threaten the islands each year.

In Autumn, pampas grass covers field and hill with a rolling sea of gold. Poinsettia abound at Christmas, and orchids are becoming more plentiful - and beautiful - here than in Hawaii.

Naha - an amalgam of what once was three settlements - sprawls about the prefecture's major seaport, into which flow goods from around the world...most of them available here at a considerable discount over prices on the Japanese mainland.

There are department stores and boutiques, a teeming farmer's market - with sights you'll not see in other Asian markets (dried, deadly poisonous sea snakes, for example, being sold as a health elixir) - discos, many as chic as those found in the fast lanes back home; hundreds of coffee houses where one can relax for hours for only the price of a cup ; restaurants serving nearly every cuisine known to man; concert hall; parks; theaters, and athletic complexes which rival those anywhere in their modernness.

But, of all Okinawa's beauties, its people are the most beautiful.

They spring from a culture and history that is long and colorful - among the longest and most colorful anywhere in Asia but China, as a matter of fact.

They are hard-working, innovative, infinitely friendly. On the Japanese mainland, you might have a friend for years, and never see the inside of his home. Here, an acquaintance of only a few minutes may invite you in to dinner.

They're possessed of an infectious humor which is earthy and consuming and so offhanded and natural that it often is mistaken by visitors as sarcasm.

No one should deduce from all this glowing prose that Okinawa is a total "Eden" where all is sweetness

and light and controversy never raises its serpentine head. There are problems, some big, some small.

Every family whose roots are here was touched tragically by the Pacific War. Although that ended a long time ago, 27 years of American rule followed that, in some respects, was not terribly enlightened. Memories die hard. Some resentment against real or imagined injustice remains.

But one of the wonders here is that the people have developed a tremendous capacity to forgive. Unless you are overbearing and singularly cloddish in your dealings with them they will overwhelm you with kindness and genuine friendship.

If you mind your manners here, keep an open mind and have a touch of adventure in your soul, a tour in Okinawa can be the most rewarding and enjoyable you've served anywhere in the world.

How much fun you have, how much you learn and how many fine, bright memories you gather depends entirely on you.

Go out and explore!

(Excerpts from JIM'S STORY by Jim Lea)

Population: 1,232,319 local inhabitants

Active Duty (USMC): 19,854 Active Duty (USN): 2,574 Active Duty (USA): 902 Active Duty (USAF): 7,700 Dependents (USMC): 4,360 Dependents (USN): 1,858 Dependents (USA): 1,111 Dependents (USAF): 9,514 DoD Civilian: 1,512

History

A Blend Of Past And Present

Okinawa, the largest island in the Ryukyu chain, is an exciting land, with vivid reminders of a proud, thousand-year-old history tightly woven in the modern-day existence it displays today.

A combination of oriental and occidental customs and cultures, the first written records of Okinawa's ancient ancestry have been traced to about 603 A.D. At this time, the Chinese were sending missions to Okinawa to demand tribute and submission. The proud Okinawan people refused the demands, however, and seven years later the Chinese returned with greater forces to invade and rule the island for about 500 years.

The island's first kingdom was established by Shunten, the lord of Urasoe in the 12th century. This monarchy system lasted until the 14th century when Okinawa split into three different kingdoms: Hokuzan, Nanzan and Chuzan. For the next 200 years Okinawa enjoyed a flourishing trade with China, Japan, Korea and the East Indies.

In 1609, however, this golden era came to an abrupt halt when Samuri warriors from Satsuma, an area in southern Japan, invaded Okinawa. For the next 270 years, the Satsuma would demand taxes from Okinawans and manipulate their trading market as payment for protecting their island.

In 1854, Commodore Matthew Perry visited the Royal palace at Shuri. About this same time, a number of Western nations, including the United States, Great Britain, France and Russia were attempting to open treaty relations with Okinawa. In 1868, during the Meiji Restoration, Japan tightened its grip on Okinawa by sending a military detachment there.

In 1879, weary of Okinawan objections to its military forces, the Japanese government dissolved the royal government and formally annexed the island kingdom. Okinawa was organized as the 47th district of Japan, supervised by a governor, very similar to an American state.

Although America was acquainted with Okinawa in the early 1800s, for most Americans the small island nation went completely unobserved until the abrupt advent of World War II.

Situated on the southern approaches to Japan, the Ryukyu Island chain was geographically situated as to be virtually unavoidable in any American offensive strategy against mainland Japan. The inevitable soon became history when Okinawa became the arena for one of the most ferocious battles of the war. By June, 1944, the Japanese army arrived in force. Casualties mounted quickly as U.S. forces saturated military targets with bombs four months later.

In March, 1945, the first American troops landed on the Kerama Islands as the springboard for America's island leapfrogging strategy. Okinawa was next in line and, on April 1, 1945, the invasion began. After 11 weeks of fierce fighting, the battle of Okinawa was over June 20, 1945. Two months later Japan

surrendered. Okinawa was one of the longest and hardest fought campaigns in the history of World War II. Total American battle casualties were estimated at 49,151, including 12,500 killed or missing. Japanese soldiers killed were about 60,000 while one-third of the Okinawan population, about 150,000 died in the "Typhoon of steel."

Because it was considered the key to the invasion of Japan, and because it is also considered a key geographical factor to the defense of the free world in the Pacific area, Okinawa now owns the nickname, "Keystone of the Pacific."

As relief funds, appropriated by the U.S. Congress, began to get pumped into Okinawa in 1946, the island began traveling the steady path to economic recovery. That same year, Okinawa set up its first general hospital, civilian newspaper, bank and courts. By 1950, the country had resumed its foreign trade lines and established a civil government system throughout the Ryukyu islands.

In 1951, a U.S.-Japanese peace treaty gave Americans complete administrative control of the Ryukyus for an indefinite period. By referring to the island as a "residual sovereignty," however, the United States still suggested recognition of Japan's basic ownership of the islands. In addition, the United States promised that, when international circumstances warranted, it would return administrative control of the chain to Japan.

Administrative authority of the Ryukyu Islands was transferred back to Japan May 15, 1972, and Okinawa became a prefectural district of Japan once again.

The island has been a favorite training area for the Marine Corps since post-war units were based here more than 40 years ago. Today, the Corps has eight different facilities on Okinawa to call home: Camps Gonsalves, Schwab, Hansen, Courtney, Lester, Foster, Kinser, and Marine Corps Air Station, Futenma. Beside a significant Marine Corps presence here, Okinawa is also home to a number of major Navy, Army and Air Force units and facilities.

Time Zone Chart

Local time zone: Japan Standard Time (JST)

Please refer to Listing for more details.

Time Zone Chart

<i>Location</i>	<i>Adjustment for GMT</i>
Pacific	-8
Mountain	-7
Central	-6
Eastern	-5
Greenwich (United Kingdom)	0
Central European (Germany)	1
East Asia (Japan)	9

Climate

Semi-tropical climate with hot humid weather dominating much of the year. Between December and March the weather often turns cool enough to warrant slacks and a light-weight sweater or jacket. The region's most common natural phenomena are typhoons. The typhoon season runs from the first of June through mid December, with the highest

potential from August to the end of October. Typhoons are monitored very closely and the public is kept well informed as to it's size, strength, direction of travel and how close it will come to us via the Armed Forces Radio and Television Network's AM and FM radio station plus TV channel 8.

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Climate

<i>Month</i>	<i>High</i>	<i>Low</i>	<i>Humidity</i>	<i>Precipitation</i>
January	74	53	70	6 in 152 mm
February	76	50	70	4 in 102 mm
March	81	51	79	5 in 127 mm
April	83	57	79	3 in 76 mm
May	88	61	79	12 in 305 mm
June	92	77	82	6 in 152 mm
July	94	77	82	9 in 229 mm
August	92	78	82	4 in 102 mm
September	91	72	74	10 in 254 mm
October	87	78	74	5 in 127 mm
November	81	61	74	8 in 203 mm
December	79	53	70	3 in 76 mm

Events Calendar

THE FESTIVALS of Okinawa are exciting and colorful, so don't forget to mark them on your calendar. The friendly Okinawans will welcome you and probably invite you to join in. Be sure to take your camera along to capture the dancing and merriment on film.

The festivals reflect the history and culture of the Ryukyuan people. Many have their origin in ancestor worship. In addition, you may recognize the mix of Japanese, Chinese, Buddhist and Christian influences.

The following are just a few of the many festivals celebrated on Okinawa. Because the Ryukyuan

festivals are based on the Chinese lunar calendar, their dates vary from year to year.

Cherry Blossom Festival. Everyone's heard of Japan's famous cherry blossoms, and Okinawa's are the very first to bloom. At the end of January or beginning of February, cherry blossom lovers travel north to Nago Castle Hill to see the beautiful pink blossoms and Nago City's Cherry Blossom Parade. A three-day festival is highlighted by kite flying contests, singing and dancing.

Dragon Boat Races. A colorful festival usually held in May or June, in Itoman, Nago, Tomari Port, Naha and many fishing villages. The race, called hari, is performed for the god of the seas, asking him to provide a good harvest.

Yonabaru Tug-of-War (Tsunahiki). The tug-of-war originated over 100 years ago when the inhabitants of Yonabaru rid their infested fields of hordes of insects by beating drums. Today, traditionally-dressed Okinawans raise the roof with drums and cymbals. The festival climaxes with a tug-of-war. It is usually held in July.

Obon. This three-day reunion of the living with the spirits of their ancestors is a surprisingly happy occasion. It could be compared with the Christian All Souls' Day. Okinawans believe that the ancestral spirits return to visit and the living should honor their presence. On the welcoming day fires are lit to guide the spirits home and food is placed in shrines. A great feast is held on the third day. It is accompanied by much dancing and singing, called the Eisa and Bon Odori. The festival of the dead is one of the chief festivals of the year and is usually in August. If you go, be prepared for huge crowds, but also a really Mardi Gras-type great time.

Please refer to Listing for more details.

Name: RELOCATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, INTER-CULTURAL SECTION
Address: UNIT 35026
City: FPO 96379- 5026
Phone: 011-81-611-745-3159/8395
FAX: 011-81-611-745-7229
DSN Phone: 645-3159/8395
DSN FAX: 645-7229

Cultural Attractions

Interwoven with a rich quantity of Chinese and Japanese influence, the Okinawan culture is filled with colorful holidays and festivals. The countryside and cities are rich with attractions to make a tour here a time to enjoy and remember.

Aha Village and waterfall is one of the most beautiful sights in Okinawa with its thatched houses along the river.

Nakagusuku Castle is one of many castles dating from Okinawa's feudal period (10th - 15th Centuries, AD).

Hedo Point is the northernmost point and is a great place for scuba diving, photography and picnicking.

Nakamura House, now a museum, is a 200-year-old house which depicts the Okinawan life-style of old.

Shuri area is like traveling back in time. The capital of Okinawa for over 400 years, until the Ryukyus became a prefecture of Japan in 1879. The Okinawa Prefectural Museum is there, filled with artifacts and cultural treasures.

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Recreation Opportunities

WHITE BEACH RECREATION AREA -- The Naval Station at White Beach offers a variety of recreational services on-base. Similar to Okuma (see below) on a much smaller scale, White Beach offers cabins and campsites. Reservations are required and can be made up to 30 days in advance.

Bath houses are conveniently located. Tents, canopies, snorkeling masks and miscellaneous camping gear can be issued on White Beach.

At the Marina you may rent a sailboat if you have a sailing license. In the event that you don't, you can sign up for the boating class right there and obtain you license.

There is a free swimming pool, picnic grounds, as well as a small recreation room, racquetball courts, weight room, tennis courts and softball fields.

There are cabanas on the beach available on a first come, first serve basis.

OKUMA -- Located far from the stress of the bases and the work place, Okuma Recreation Area offers the perfect environment for amusement and relaxation. Its recreational possibilities are as endless as the 120 acres of wooded hills it rests on.

Water lovers can boat, sail, water ski, swim or fish, while others can golf, miniature golf, hiking, bicycling, tennis volleyball and a variety of table sports are available for the land lubbers. The glass-bottom boat should suit the romantic-at-heart. In it, you can take your time floating along the coast, while

looking through the tranquil blue waves at living coral reefs.

Despite the 58 cabanas available for overnight visits to Okuma, early reservations through the Schilling Recreating Center at Kadena Air Base are a must. Since payment is required in advance, it's a good idea to make reservations in person.

For those who prefer living closer to the great outdoors, Okuma offers two traditional camping areas -- one for families and one for singles. Registration for the camp sites is available through the on-site manager's office at Okuma.

A restaurant, lounge, indoor theater, small exchange, and even a laundromat are some of the creature comforts this miniature resort contains. Okuma is open daily through the summer season (April 1 - September 15), and Wednesday through Sunday the rest of the year.

Name: Gyokusendo Kingdom Village Cave
Phone: 876-0141
Comments: The cave is the longest in the Pacific. There are nearly 500,000 stalactites as well as an underground pool and river. Admission Fee: Village; Children - 300 yen, Adult - 600 yen. Village & Cave Children - 600 yen, Adult - 1200 yen. Village, Cave, & Habu Fight Children - 800 yen, Adult - 1600 yen.

Name: Okinawa Children Zoo
Phone: 933-4190
Comments: The Zoo is very extensive, and houses a museum containing maps and tapes on the Battle of Okinawa. One of the main attractions is the amusement rides area. Admission Fee: Adult - 900 yen. 13 - College 300 yen (School ID Required) 4 - 12 200 yen under 4 Free

Name: Okinawa National Memorial Park (Expo Park)
Phone: 048-2741
Comments: The park sights and activities include one of the largest salt water aquariums, dolphin show, a marine city of the future, oceanic pavilion, Okinawa culture museum, amusement rides, botanical garden and beach.

Name: Ryuku Folk Village
Comments: This folk village shows the Japanese, Chinese and Southeast Asian influence on the cultural development of Okinawa. Admission Fee: Adult - 840 yen. 16 - College 730 yen (School ID Required) 3 - 15 420 yen under 3 Free

Name: Shuri Castle
Comments: Shuri Castle was built by King Satto at the end of the 14th century. It was the largest castle on Okinawa. It was used as the King's home and ceremonial headquarters during the Sho Dynasty from 1429 through 1879. Commodore Matthew Perry signed the Treaty of Peace and Amity between the United States and the Kingdom of the Ryukyus here at Shuri Castle in 1854. Although the castle was completely devastated in the Battle of Okinawa in 1945, it was reconstructed and opened to the public in November 1992 to commemorate to 20th anniversary of Okinawa's Reversion to Japan. The restored castle's stone structures were entirely built using traditional Okinawan masonry techniques and styles developed by incorporating Chinese and Japanese styles.

Name: Southeast Botanical Gardens
Phone: 939-2555
Comments: The gardens contains more than 450 kinds of palm trees, 600 varieties of tropical flowers and 200 varieties of tropical fruit trees. Admission Fee: Adult - 1000 yen. 3 - 15 - 500 yen under 3 - Free

Name: Tokashiki Island
Phone: 868-1174
Comments: The island is the place to go for fishing, beaches, camping, and is also the site of the Okinawa Youth Lodge. Location: 1 hour ferry ride from Naha. Ferry cost: 12 - Adult 4000 yen. under 12 2000 yen.

Name: Yambaru Wildlife Park
Phone: 052-6348
Comments: The park is a 52 acre open zoo with about 180 species of birds, mammals and reptiles. Admission Fee: Adult - 600 yen. 13 - College 300 yen (School ID Required) 4-12 200 yen under 4 Free

Military Related and Civic Organizations

Please refer to Listing for more details.

Name: American Legion
Address: Near Camp Foster
Phone: 011-81-611-745-4402

Name: United Service Organization (USO), Camp Hansen
Phone: 011-81-611-723-5011
DSN Phone: 623-5011

Name: United Service Organization (USO), Camp Schwab
Address: Unit 35031 Box 155
City: FPO 96373- 0155
Phone: 011-81-611-725-3852
FAX: 011-81-611-725-3549
DSN Phone: 625-3852
DSN FAX: 625-3549

Name: United Service Organization (USO), Kadena Air Base
Address: Unit 35000
City: FPO 96368- 5000
Phone: 011-81-611-734-0575
FAX: 011-81-611-734-1722
DSN Phone: 634-0575
DSN FAX: 634-1722

Name: United Service Organization (USO), MCAS Futenma
Address: Unit 35031 BOX 0153
City: FPO 96373- 0153
Phone: 011-81-611-736-5202
FAX: 011-81-611736-2304
DSN Phone: 636-5202
DSN FAX: 636-2304

Name: VFW Post 10269
Address: Naha
Phone: 011-81-098-936-7339

Name: VFW Post 9723
Address: Near Kadena Air Base
Phone: 011-81-098-932-8617

Shopping

Please refer to Listing for more details.

Name: American Village
Address: Chatan
Proximity to site: 2 blocks west of Camp Lester
Comments: This area was modeled after the San Diego Seaport Village in California. American Village lies beside the Chatan coastline and encompasses a large shopping area, sports and recreation facility, and Chatan athletic park. Jusco is the central shopping attraction overlooking 55 stores carrying a wide variety of merchandise. A huge shopping complex full of restaurants, diners, a movie complex, amusement rides, and Sega game center for people of all ages to spend their leisure time.

Name: Chuo Wholesale Market
Address: Uraso City
Comments: Area Shopping: Chuo Wholesale Market, Best place to buy fruits/vegetables from the wholesale stalls. Opens at 0530 each morning. Closed on Sundays and Japanese Holidays.

Name: Gate 2 Street
Address: Okinawa City
Proximity to site: Outside Gate 2, Kadena Air Base
Comments: Park your car at the Kadena USO and enjoy walking down many "blocks" of shopping pleasure! Major vendors such as China Pete's, Phai's House of Jade, Tommy China, and Noritake China are found here, as well as hundreds of specialty shops of all kinds. Many stores have English speaking personnel and some purchases can be made in dollars.

Name: Hamby-Town
Address: Kitame, Chatan-Cho
Proximity to site: Across from Camp Foster on Hwy 58
Comments: Hamby Town is the closest thing to the malls back home! There is an Okinawan grocery store on the first floor, and several floors of shops including clothing, housewares, shoes, electronics, souvenirs, and a large area with a variety of food vendors. Coming soon is the US franchise "Subway". There is free parking outside and as well as a covered parking garage.

Name: Heiwa Dori (Peace Street)
Address: Naha City
Proximity to site: 30 km south of Kadena Air Base
Comments: This is the public marketplace, where you can feel the lifestyle of Okinawans. From pork, beef and fish to dried sea snakes, Habu sake, and Chinese herb medicines, all kinds of goods and unique commodities are sold here.

Name: KEWC Thrift Shop, Bldg 1462, Kadena Air Base
Phone: 633-0436
Comments: Books, clothes, craft items, electrical appliances, furniture, jewelry, knick-knacks, military clothing, stereo equipment, toys and much, much more!

Name: Kadena Officer's Wives Gift Shop, Bldg 436, Kadena Air Base
Phone: 633-3161
Comments: The KOWC Gift Shop is an excellent place to shop for unique gifts from around the Pacific. Items include wooden horses and jewelry from Thailand, brass, celadon and furniture from Korea, rattan from the Philippines, blue and white pottery, cloisonne, clothing, etc. from Hong Kong, pottery, kimonos, bingata, and a variety of other Japanese and Okinawan products. Open Tues, Wed, Fri and Sat from 1000 - 1400. Open Thursdays from 1400 - 1700.

Name: Kokusai Shopping District
Address: Naha
Proximity to site: 15 minutes south of Camp Kinser
Comments: Major Stores: Variety A mile-long strip of Japanese department stores, gift shops, boutiques, jewelry and camera stores. Stop for refreshment in one of the coffee shops, catch your second wind, and stroll through the stalls of Heiwa Street, where they sell clothing, household goods, souvenir trinkets and even food.

Name: Koza Shopping Center (Children Clothes)
Address: Okinawa City
Proximity to site: Near Kadena Air Base Gate 2
Comments: Numerous small shops selling clothes, toys, luggage, housewares, vegetables, etc.

Name: Maejima Supermarket
Address: Naminoue, Okinawa City
Proximity to site: 4 blocks east of Kadena Air Base Gate 2

Name: Makeman
Address: Gushiwaka City, Hwy 58
Proximity to site: 7 km
Comments: There are a number of these "Do-It-Yourself" stores around Okinawa, many of them in close proximity to Kadena.

Name: Navel Kadena
Address: Kadena
Proximity to site: Outside Gate 1 on Hwy 58
Comments: A small mall with a variety of interesting shops to include clothing, quilting store and classroom, electronics, Toys 'R Us, a grocery store, McDonald's, Baskin-Robbins, Shakey's Pizza, etc.

Name: Sumaid (Do-It-Yourself)
Address: Kadena- cho
Proximity to site: Near Kadena Air Base Gate 4 on Hwy 58
Comments: Car accessories, housewares, furniture and hardware.

State and Community Social Service Agencies

Food Stamps NOT APPLICABLE

Welfare NOT APPLICABLE

United Way NOT APPLICABLE

Please refer to Listing for more details.

Name: Pearl S. Buck Foundation
Address: Ginowan City, Okinawa
Phone: 011-81-098-932-9770
Comments: Social Service

Name: American Red Cross, Bldg 89 Kadena Air Base
Address: Unit 5175
City: FPO 96368- 5175
Phone: 011-81-611-734-1294/4611
FAX: 011-81-611-734-0198
DSN Phone: 634-1294/4611
DSN FAX: 634-0198
Comments: Offices Located at all Major Bases

Name: Boy Scouts of America, District Office Camp Foster
Phone: 011-81-611-745-9236
DSN Phone: 645-9236

Name: Family Advocacy , Kadena Air Base
Address: Unit 5269
City: FPO 96368- 5269
Phone: 011-81-611-734-1266
FAX: 011-81-611-732-8949
DSN Phone: 634-1266
DSN FAX: 632-8949

Name: Family Advocacy, Bldg 236 Torii Station
Phone: 011-81-611-744-4106/4110
DSN Phone: 644-4106/4110

Name: Family Advocacy, Bldg 5677 Camp Foster
Address: Unit 35026 MBC
City: FPO 96373- 5026
Phone: 011-81-611-745-2915/16/17
FAX: 011-81-611745-3793
DSN Phone: 645-2915/16/17
DSN FAX: 645-3793

Name: Girl Scouts of America, Kadena Air Base
Phone: 011-81-611-734-0753
DSN Phone: 634-0753

Name: Legal Service Support, Bldg 5716 Camp Foster
Address: Unit 38477
City: FPO 96604- 8477
Phone: 011-81-611-745-2723
FAX: 011-81-611-745-3736
DSN Phone: 645-2723
DSN FAX: 645-3736

Name: West Pacific Girl Scouts Okinawa, Bldg 4150 Plaza
Phone: 011-81-611-745-2323
DSN Phone: 645-2323

Non-Profit Social Service Agencies

NOT APPLICABLE FOR JAPAN

Religious Activities

Area Denominations

Baptist	Buddhist	Catholic	Episcopal	Jewish
Lutheran		Methodist	Mormon	Muslim
Nazarene	Pentecostal	Shinto		

Please refer to Listing for more details.

Name: All Souls Episcopal
Address: OFF BASE House of Worship
Phone: 011-81-098-936-7261

Name: Calvary Church of Christ
Address: OFF BASE House of Worship
Phone: 011-81-098-937-2506

Name: Catholic Chaplain, Camp Foster
Address: Unit 35001, MCB
City: FPO 96373- 5001
Phone: 011-81-611-745-7486
FAX: 011-81-611-745-7253
DSN Phone: 645-7486
DSN FAX: 645-7253

Name: Chibana Church of Christ
Address: OFF BASE House of Worship
Phone: 011-81-098-938-0764

Name: Christ Catholic Church
Address: OFF BASE House of Worship
Phone: 011-81-098-897-7484

Name: Church of God (Pentecostal)
Address: OFF BASE House of Worship
Phone: 011-81-098-897-8958

Name: Church of the Nazarene
Address: OFF BASE House of Worship
Phone: 011-81-098-936-1642

Name: Door of Faith Life Center
Address: OFF BASE House of Worship
Phone: 011-81-098-932-0642

Name: Faith Lutheran
Address: OFF BASE House of Worship
Phone: 011-81-098-933-3488

Name: First United Pentecostal
Address: OFF BASE House of Worship
Phone: 011-81-098-933-3441

Name: Full Gospel Church
Address: OFF BASE House of Worship
Phone: 011-81-098-936-0668

Name: Futenma Fellowship House
Address: OFF BASE House of Worship
Phone: 011-81-098-897-5859

Name: Hansen Christian Center
Address: OFF BASE House of Worship
Phone: 011-81-098-968-3957

Name: Hope Chapel
Address: OFF BASE House of Worship
Phone: 011-81-098-935-4961

Name: Jehovah's Witnesses
Address: OFF BASE House of Worship
Phone: 011-81-098-939-7520

Name: Jewish Chaplain, Camp Foster
Address: Unit 35001, MCB
City: FPO 96373- 5001
Phone: 011-81-611-745-7487
DSN Phone: 645-7487

Name: Kadena Christian Center
Address: OFF BASE House of Worship
Phone: 011-81-098-937-5001

Name: Kadena Community
Address: OFF BASE House of Worship
Phone: 011-81-098-956-3697

Name: Koza Baptist (southern)
Address: OFF BASE House of Worship
Phone: 011-81-098-937-5036

Name: LDS (Mormon)
Address: OFF BASE House of Worship
Phone: 011-81-098-892-8913

Name: Lively Stone
Address: OFF BASE House of Worship
Phone: 011-81-098-897-6342

Name: Maranatha Baptist (Indep)
Address: OFF BASE House of Worship
Phone: 011-81-098-897-5235

Name: Neighborhood Assembly of God
Address: OFF BASE House of Worship
Phone: 011-81-098-932-8005

Name: Okinawa Christian Mission
Address: OFF BASE House of Worship
Phone: 011-81-098-897-4378

Name: Okinawa Victory in Christ
Address: OFF BASE House of Worship
Phone: 011-81-098-939-7303

Name: Pre-marital Information, Personal Service Center, Camp Foster
Address: Unit 35026
City: FPO 96379- 5026
Phone: 011-81-611-745-2104/2106
FAX: 011-81-611-745-7229
DSN Phone: 645-2104/06

Name: Protestant Chaplain, Camp Foster
Address: Unit 35001, MCB
City: Camp Foster 96373- 5001
Phone: 011-81-611-745-7486
DSN Phone: 645-7486

Name: Servicemen's Center
Address: OFF BASE House of Worship
Phone: 011-81-098-897-8954

Name: Seventh Day Adventist
Address: OFF BASE House of Worship
Phone: 011-81-098-935-2364

Name: The Navigators
Address: OFF BASE House of Worship
Phone: 011-81-098-932-1865

Name: United Missionary Baptist Church
Address: Off Base House of Praise and Worship
Phone: 011-81-098-898-3193

Community Transportation

Please refer to Listing and Installation Transportation for more details.

Name: AAFES Taxi Cab Company
Address: Kadena Air Base
Phone: 633-1404/1405/1406/1407
Proximity to site: On base
Comments: They do have a direct line from the AMC Terminal.

Name: AMTRAK
Comments: There is no train or subway system on Okinawa.

Name: Car/Limo rental
Address: AAFES
Phone: 633-0007
Proximity to site: On-base
Comments: You must have a local driver's license or an International Driver's License and orders to rent a car.

Name: Coral Isle Motors Co.
Address: 372 Sunabe, Chatan Town
Phone: (098) 936-7287
Proximity to site: 2 km

Name: Kadena Air Terminal
Address: Kadena Air Base
Phone: 634-2159

Name: MCCS Liberty Bus, Camp Foster
Phone: 645-7772/7516

Name: Naha International Airport
Address: Naha, Okinawa
Proximity to site: 30 km south of Kadena AB
Comments: The airport is serviced by JAL, Continental, China Air Lines, Asian Air, and Japan TransOcean Air.

Name: Off-Base Taxi
Phone: 098-937-2467

Name: Papasan Rental Car
Address: 2724 Noborikawa, Okinawa City
Phone: (098) 939-7930
Proximity to site: 5 km

Name: Rental Car, Camp Foster
Phone: 645-4577
Comments: Other Location: Camp Courtney, Camp Gonsalves, Camp Hansen, Camp Henoko, Camp Kinser, Camp Schwab, MCAS Futenma

Name: Ryukyu Bus System
Address: 3-15-15 Makishi, Naha City
Phone: 098-863-3636
Proximity to site: Bus stops outside each gate
Comments: Route numbers are unique: They are assigned by the Transportation Authority and are consistent no matter which bus line is utilized. Fares are in yen only. After boarding bus, take a ticket from the machine next to the driver. The number on the ticket indicates the starting point. The fare is displayed on a board at the front of the bus. As the bus travels, the yen amount under the ticket number changes. At destination, check the board for the exact fee.

Name: School Bus
Address: Ryukyu Bus Company, Camp Lester
Phone: 634-0588

Name: Travel Office
Address: Air Mobility Command, Kadena
Phone: 634-1888/1889

Education

Education Overview

Numerous post-secondary school courses are available through such field offices as Central Texas College and the University of Maryland, and the curriculum you'll study for these classes is imported straight from your school of choice, so there is no loss of quality. Children of military families have the opportunity to receive a quality education that rivals school systems in the United States.

All 12 DoD Dependent Schools on Okinawa are accredited by North Central Association of Colleges and Schools. Together they provide an education for about 10,000 students, and boast some of the best schools in the entire DoDDS program. Over the years, the DoDDS students' Scholastic Aptitude Test scores for both verbal and mathematical skills have been higher than the national average.

Even master degree programs are available here for the motivated education seeker. Programs such as counseling, community services, public administration and business administration are among the many choices offered.

Student loans designed specifically for Marines, sailors and their families are now available from University Support Services, Inc. Available for

graduate, undergraduate and private high school students, the new "All Ahead" loan program can provide \$1,500 to \$25,000 a year at approved schools.

The loans are available to active-duty and former Marine Corps and Navy Personnel and their families, including reserve, retired and federal employees. Eligible applicants for "All Ahead" must be credit-worthy U.S. citizens or permanent residents and earn a minimum of \$15,000 a year. If an applicant does not meet these requirements, a co-signer who does meet the requirements is necessary to approve the loan. The loan is paid back on a 15-year plan with no penalty for early repayment.

For more information about the "All Ahead" loan program, call 1-800-SOS-LOAN.

Please refer to Listing for more details.

Name: Base Education Office, Bldg 5679, Camp Foster
Address: Unit 35042
City: FPO 96373- 5042
Phone: 011-81-611-745-3486/7160
DSN Phone: 645-3486/7160
Comments: Education Tech/TA Program: 645-3486 Satellite Offices: MCAS Futenma: 636-3036 Camp Courtney: 622-9694 Camp Hansen: 623-4941 Camp Kinser: 637-1821 Camp Schwab: 625-2538

Public and DODDS Schools

SCHOOL YEAR 2000- 2001 SCHOOL YEAR CALENDAR

FIRST SEMESTER - (92 INSTRUCTIONAL DAYS)

2000

Friday, August 25 Begin First Quarter and First Semester

Monday, September 4 Labor Day - Federal Holiday

Monday, October 9 Columbus Day - Federal Holiday

Thursday, November 2 End of First Quarter (47 days of classroom instruction)

Friday, November 3 No school for students - teacher work day

Monday, November 6 Begin Second Quarter

Monday, November 6 - Parent - Teacher Conferences scheduled by
Wednesday, November 15 District Superintendent's Office

Friday, November 10 Veterans Day - Federal Holiday

Thursday, November 23 Thanksgiving Recess
(November 25 Friday, November 24 Thanksgiving day - Federal Holiday)

Tuesday, December 18 Earliest date a student may leave school first
semester with credit under an accelerated program

Monday, December 18 Begin Winter Recess

Monday, December 25 Christmas Day - Federal Holiday

2001

Monday, January 1 New Year's Day - Federal Holiday

Tuesday, January 2 Instruction Resumes

Monday, January 15 Martin Luther King, Jr. Day - Federal Holiday

Thursday, January 25 End of Second Quarter and First Semester
(44 days of classroom instruction)

Friday, January 26 No school for students- teacher work day

SECOND SEMESTER - (91 INSTRUCTIONAL DAYS)

Monday, January 29 Begin Third Quarter and Second Semester

Monday, February 19 Presidents' Day - Federal Holiday

Thursday, April 5 End of Third Quarter(48 days of classroom instruction)

Friday, April 6 No school for students - teacher work day

Monday, April 9 Begin Spring Recess

Monday, April 16 Instruction Resumes - Begin Fourth Quarter

Wednesday, May 16 Earliest date a student may leave school first
semester with credit under an accelerated program

Monday, May 28 Memorial Day - Federal Holiday

Thursday, June 14 End Fourth Quarter and Second Semester

Friday, June 15 No school for students - teacher work day

School Year 2000-2001 Instruction Days - 183
Work Days - 190

ENROLLMENT in DoDDS is governed by DoD Directive 1342.13. The requirements for enrollment are the following:

Orders, area clearance, and/or similar documents to verify enrollment eligibility.

Certificate of immunization issued by one of the following medical facilities on Okinawa verifying currency of immunization: Naval Hospital, located at Camp Lester, 18th Medical Group Clinic on Kadena Air Base, the Camp Courtney Clinic and the Camp Kinser Clinic.

Individualized Education Program (IEP), if the student has been declared eligible for special education services and any other supporting documentation; student's records from previous school to assist in proper placement.

Passport or birth certificate of student entering school. This can be used to verify age if entering school for the first time.

Cut off birthdate for enrollment into Kindergarten is 31 October. But if the student has already been

enrolled in Kindergarten somewhere else, they will continue under that original enrollment.

REMEMBER, HAND CARRY ALL IMPORTANT DOCUMENTATION. PLEASE NOTE THAT SPONSOR MUST ACCOMPLISH THE INITIAL ENROLLMENT OF EACH DEPENDENT STUDENT.

A multitude of extra-curricular events are available in DoDDS. American high schools on Okinawa provide strong varsity football, basketball and other sports programs.

The less sports-oriented can hone their skills at student government, school dances, drama clubs, choral groups and many other school-sponsored activities. School here is in every normal respect like that in the states, except that on Okinawa, the added benefit of experiencing a whole different culture is available right outside the gate. Advanced placement and Honors classes, JROTC, and AVID are offered at both high schools.

TALENTED AND GIFTED (TAG) PROGRAM: This program is available for students who meet the DoDDS identification criteria. Incoming students must provide evaluative evidence from previous schools that is consistent with the DoDDS criteria. Instructional programs are provided by fully qualified TAG resource teachers and the regular classroom teachers.

SUPPLEMENTARY SERVICES AVAILABLE: There are a variety of specialists and programs which supplement and enrich the regular classroom program. All schools are staffed with a guidance counselor, a nurse, a reading improvement specialist, an English As a Second Language (ESL) specialist, compensatory education teacher and a information specialist (librarian). Sure Start, a program targeted for "at risk" children who would benefit from a comprehensive preschool experience, is in place in four schools on Okinawa. Additionally, three school psychologists provide itinerant service to all twelve schools, and the two work experience coordinators, assigned to the high schools, provide appropriate services to all schools upon request.

SPECIAL EDUCATION: All children with disabilities from ages 3 to 21 (unless graduated from high school), who are space required are eligible for an appropriate education on the DoD schools. If you have such dependents in your family, you are required to enroll in the Exceptional Family Member

(EFMP) at your current command. EFMP screenings are required prior to a PCS move overseas.

PUPIL/TEACHER RATIO (PTR): The elementary school PTR is kept close to 25 to 1 and varies at times, but seldom does it increase beyond 30 to 1. In secondary schools, the ratio is approximately 25 to 1.

In addition to the core subjects, art, music, and physical education programs are conducted by teachers fully qualified in these fields. One of the most unique programs in DoDDS is the host nation culture program. The culture teachers in our schools provide Japanese culture and language activities which help our students enjoy and appreciate living overseas. Japanese at the secondary level is in the foreign language department along with Spanish, German and French.

Standardized basic skills achievement tests are administered in the spring. The DoDDS Okinawa District students have consistently scored higher than their stateside counterparts in all areas. Over the years, the DoDDS Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) scores for both the verbal and mathematical skills have been higher than the national average.

LIBRARY FACILITIES AVAILABLE TO STUDENTS: All DoDDS schools have library/information centers that exceed the NCA's accepted standards. The library facilities in all schools include extensive collections of library books, audiovisual materials and equipment. Each of the libraries has a computer network (LAN) which provides students access to information within the school and worldwide. All schools are equipped with variety of multimedia resources.

A film center provides films and other resources to all on-island schools. In addition to DoDDS libraries, students also have access and use of base library facilities.

School Assignment: Since this is based on the housing area, on-base and off-base, call the Housing Office.

Graduation Requirements: 24 Carnegie Units
Grading System: A=90-100; B=80-89; C=70-79; D=60-69; F=<60.

Please refer to Listing for more details.

Name: Amelia Earhart Intermediate, Bldg 9481/82 Kadena Air Base
Address: Unit 5166
City: FPO, FPO AP 96368- 5166
Phone: 011-81-611-734-1329
FAX: 011-81-098-934-6804
DSN Phone: 634-1329
DSN FAX: 634-7207
WWW Link: http://www.pac.odedodea.edu

Name: Bechtel Elementary , Bldg 5000 Camp McTureous
Address: Unit 35038
City: FPO, FPO AP 96373--5038
Phone: 011-81-611-722-7504/7423
FAX: 011-81-611-722-7645
DSN Phone: 622-7504/7423
DSN FAX: 622-7645
WWW Link: http://www.pac.odedodea.edu

Name: Bob Hope Primary, Bldg 9480 Kadena Air Base
Address: Unit 5166
City: FPO, FPO AP 96368- 5166
Phone: 011-81-611-734-0093/0094
FAX: 011-81-611-734-1236
DSN Phone: 634-0093/0094
DSN FAX: 634-1236
WWW Link: http://www.pac.odedodea.edu

Name: DoD Dependent Schools, Okinawa District, Bldg 6800 Kadena Air Base
Address: Unit 5166
City: FPO, FPO AP 96368- 5166
Phone: 011-81-611-734-1204
FAX: 011-81-611-734-1399
DSN Phone: 634-1204
DSN FAX: 634-1399
WWW Link: http://www.pac.odedodea.edu

Name: Edward C. Killin Elementary, Bldg 371 Camp Foster
Address: Unit 35016
City: FPO, FPO AP 96373- 5016
Phone: 011-81-611-745-7760/9172
FAX: 011-81-098-892-6549
DSN Phone: 645-7760/9172
WWW Link: http://www.pac.odedodea.edu

Name: Kadena Elementary, Bldg 2415 Kadena Air Base
Address: Unit 5166
City: FPO, FPO AP 96368- 5166
Phone: 011-81-611-734-1550/3441
FAX: 011-81-098-934-6816
DSN Phone: 634-1550/3441
WWW Link: http://www.pac.odedodea.edu

Name: Kadena High School, Bldg 9490 Kadena Air Base
Address: Unit 5166
City: FPO, FPO AP 96368- 5166
Phone: 011-81-611-734-1712/1216
FAX: 011-81-611-734-3323
DSN Phone: 634-1712/1216
WWW Link: http://www.pac.odedodea.edu

Name: Kadena Middle, Bldg 9397 Kadena Air Base
Address: Unit 5166
City: FPO, FPO AP 96368- 5166
Phone: 011-81-611-734-0217
FAX: 011-81-098-939-8328
DSN Phone: 634-0217
WWW Link: http://www.pac.odedodea.edu

Name: Kinser Elementary, Bldg 1040 Camp Kinser
Address: Unit 35037
City: FPO, FPO AP 96373- 5037
Phone: 011-81-611-737-3008/3422
FAX: 011-81-611-737-2611
DSN Phone: 637-3008/3422
WWW Link: http://www.pac.odedodea.edu

Name: Kubasaki High School, Bldg 1408 Camp Foster
Address: Unit 35008
City: FPO, FPO AP 96373- 5008
Phone: 011-81-611-745-4876/3728
FAX: 011-81-611-745-0184
DSN Phone: 645-4876/3728
WWW Link: http://www.pac.odedodea.edu

Name: Lester Middle, Bldg 6371 Camp Lester
Address: Unit 35015
City: FPO, FPO AP 96373- 5015
Phone: 011-81-611-745-7787/2124
FAX: 011-81-611-745-7211
DSN Phone: 645-7787/2124
DSN FAX: 645-7211
WWW Link: http://www.pac.odedodea.edu

Name: Stearley Heights Elementary, Bldg 2261 Kadena Air Base
Address: Unit 5166
City: FPO, FPO AP 96368- 5166
Phone: 011-81-611-734-4523/4524
FAX: 011-81-098-934-6818
DSN Phone: 634-4523/4524
WWW Link: http://www.pac.odedodea.edu

Name: Zukeran Elementary, Bldg 22 Camp Foster
Address: Unit 35017
City: FPO, FPO AP 96373- 5017
Phone: 011-81-611-745-2576/2064
FAX: 011-81-611-745-7662
DSN Phone: 645-2576/2064
DSN FAX: 645-7662
WWW Link: http://www.pac.odedodea.edu

Private Schools

Please refer to Listing for more details.

Name: Okinawa Christian Home Educators Association (OCHEA)
Address: PSC 80 Box 13126
City: APO, AP 96368--3126
Phone: 011-81-611-733-9209
Comments: OCHEA consists of a group of about 50 families who are interested in or currently home schooling. As the name infers, OCHEA is a Christian based support group, with membership open to anyone who is interested in or presently home schooling. Encouragement, help and services are offered to all, regardless of religious preference.

Name: East-West Montessori School
Address: Route 23. Turn left outside Kadena AB gate 2.
Phone: 011-81-098-939-7303
Proximity to site: 3-5 km
Comments: Tuition 35,000 yen/mo or \$ equivalent plus registration and supply fees. Transportation is available at 10,000 yen round trip or 7,000 one way. Programs of special interest include preschool, K, grades 1-2 only. Before and after school care available between 0600-1800, Mon-Fri for an additional 15,000 yen.

Name: Maranatha Baptist Academy
Address: Hwy 58, south of Kadena AB
Phone: 011-81-098-987-5235
Proximity to site: 8 km
Comments: Consult the academy concerning tuition costs. Transportation is available. Programs of special interest include grades K4-12. Parents MUST be members of the Maranatha Baptist Church.

Name: Okinawa Christian School
Address: Off Hwy 58, south of Kadena AB
Phone: 011-81-098-958-3000
Proximity to site: 17 km
Comments: Tuition \$185/mo for Kindergarten and 36,000 yen/mo for grades 1-12. Transportation is available depending on housing zone. Programs include K-12.

Colleges and Universities

Please refer to Listing for more details.

Name: Central Texas College, Bldg 5679, Camp Foster
Address: Unit 35002
City: FPO 96373- 5002
Phone: 011-81-611-745-7391
DSN Phone: 645-7391
DSN FAX: 645-3575
Tuition: \$91.00 per credit hour
Comments: Other Location: Bldg 2368, Camp Courtney - 622-9250 Bldg 407, Camp Hansen - 623-4376 Bldg 626, MCAS Futenma - 636-3036 Bldg 721, Kadena Air Base - 634-0711 Bldg 3324, Camp Schwab - 625-2239 Bldg 1220, Camp Kinser - 637-3325 Offers an Associates Degree in Applied Management, Aviation Maintenance, Business Management, Child Development, Emergency Medical Technician, Law Enforcement, Legal Assistant, Microcomputer Technology: Information Management/Programmer/Analyst, Office Management, Automotive Services and Repair, General Studies and Hospitality Management.

Name: Michigan State University, Bldg 721, Kadena Air Base
Address: 18 MSS/DPE Unit 5134 Box 40
City: APO 96368- 5134
Phone: 011-81-611-734-4413
FAX: 011-81-611-734-2041
DSN Phone: 634-4413
Tuition: \$261.00 per credit hours
Comments: Master of Science in Community Service. Two official copies of transcripts are required plus 3 letters of recommendation and Graduate Record Exam (can be taken here) if GPA is below 3.0.

Name: Troy State University, Bldg 721, Kadena Air Base
Address: 18 MSS/DPE Unit 5134 Box 40
City: APO 96368- 5134
Phone: 011-81-611-732-7933
FAX: 011-81-611-734-2041
DSN Phone: 632-7933
Tuition: \$230.00 per credit hour
Comments: Master of Science in Management, Foundation of Educational Leadership, International Relations, and Master of Public Administration. Standardized Test Score and official transcript required within 2 terms.

Name: University of Maryland, Bldg 5679, Camp Foster
Address: PSC 557 Box 465
City: FPO 96379- 0465
Phone: 011-81-611-745-3488
FAX: 011-81-098-939-5429
DSN Phone: 645-3488
Tuition: \$124.40 - \$234.00 per credit hour
Comments: Other Location: Bldg Torii Station - 644-4957 Bldg 2368, Camp Hansen - 623-4965 Bldg 407, MCAS Futenma - 636-3036 Bldg 721, Kadena Air Base - 634-4383 Bldg 3324, Camp Schwab - 625-2239 Bldg 4309, Camp Courtney - 622-9250 AA in General Curriculum, Business and Management Studies, Japanese Studies, Korean Studies, Computer Studies, and Mathematics. BA in Asian Studies, English, History and Professional Writing. BA or BS in Business and Management, Computer Studies, Government and Politics, Management Studies, Psychology and Sociology. Certificate Programs available in Accounting, Computer Studies, Japanese Studies, Korean Studies, and Management. Master of Education in Counseling and Personnel Services. (For graduate level courses, two official copies of transcripts are required.) Information on graduate courses can be obtained by calling DSN 645-2559.

Name: University of Oklahoma, Bldg 721, Kadena Air Base
Address: 18 MSS/DPE Unit 5134 Box 40
City: APO 96368- 5134
Phone: 011-81-611-734-1606
FAX: 011-81-611-732-8529
DSN Phone: 634-1606
Tuition: \$238.00 per credit hour
Comments: Masters of Art in Economics, and Master of Human Relations.

Adult or Continuing Education

Please refer to Listing for more details.

Name: MCCA, Lifelong Learning
Address: Unit 35042
City: FPO 96373- 5042
Phone: 011-81-611-745-3486/3488
FAX: 011-81-611-745-3486/3488
DSN Phone: 645-3486/3488

Name: Navy Campus
Address: Bldg 3554 Kadena Air Base
Phone: 011-81-611-734-8298/99
DSN Phone: 634-8298/99

Special Education

Please refer to Listing for more details.

Name: DOD Dependents Schools, Pacific-Okinawa District, Bldg 6800, Kadena Air Base
Address: Unit 5166
City: APO 96368- 5166
Phone: 011-81-611-734-1204
FAX: 011-81-611-734-1399
DSN Phone: 634-1204
WWW Link: http://www.pac.odedodea.edu
Comments: There is a Special Education Specialist at each of the DoD Dependent Schools on Okinawa.

Employment

Employment Overview

Employment opportunities for military spouses and family members are limited on Okinawa. Plan on being out of work for 2-6 months and budget accordingly. It is possible to find work sooner than this estimate, but it could also take even longer. The best advice for the job seeker is to keep your options open, network and be persistent.

The employment situation on base is considered fair for military spouses and family members. The situation off base is extremely limited, with most positions requiring bilingual ability. The majority of off base employment are English Conversation Instructor.

Common Position Openings: Office Automation Clerk, Secretary, Recreation Aid, Child Development Program Assistant/Technician.

Less Common Position Openings: Teacher, Computer Specialist, and Clinical Nurse.

Rare Position Openings: Legal Assistant, Lawyer, and Physical Therapist.

Federal Civilian Employment for Spouses

There are jobs available in the Federal system through Appropriated Funds, Non-Appropriated Funds, and Army and Air Force Exchange Service positions.

The Federal employment situation is considered fair for the military spouse who is command sponsored. Military Spouse Preference provides priority in the Federal employment selection process for military spouses who are relocating as a result of their sponsor's permanent change of station (PCS) move.

Please refer to Listing for more details.

Name: Army & Air Force Exchange Service (AAFES) Personnel Office
Address: AAFES Headquarters, Bldg. 490, Camp Foster
Phone: 011-81-611-745-7802
DSN Phone: 645-8037
Comments: Entry-level AAFES jobs are primarily intermittent in retail sales or food service. No experience is required; employer will train. Employee compete from within for part-time and full-time positions.
HOURS FOR SUBMITTING APPLICATIONS: Tuesdays and Thursdays, 8:00 - 15:30

Name: Civilian Human Resource Office (CHRO)
Address: Camp Butler, Bldg 331, Rm 110
Phone: 011-81-611-745-3761
DSN Phone: 645-3761
Comments: JOB INFORMATION HOT LINE: From CONUS: 011-81-611-745-3380 DSN: 645-3380 Appropriated Fund positions for Navy and Marine Corps are serviced by the Civilian Human Resource Office.

Name: Department of Defense Dependent Schools (DoDDS) Personnel Support Branch
Address: Kadena Air Base, Bldg 1460, Unit 5166
City: APO 96368- 5166
Phone: 011-81-611-734-0747
FAX: 011-81-611-734-1399
DSN Phone: 634-0747
Comments: All substitute teacher and GS-7 and below positions in DODDS are serviced by this office. Contact the following address for teacher application procedures: Department of Defense Dependent Schools Personnel Center 4040 North Fairfax Drive Arlington, VA 22203-1634 Phone: (703)696-3081 x141 FAX: (703)696-2697

Name: Family Member Employment Assistance Program (FMEAP)
Address: Camp Foster, Bldg 445
Phone: 011-81-611-745-3151/3508
DSN Phone: 645-3151/3508
E-Mail: mccsfmeap@mcbbutler.usmc.mil
Comments: Information about civilian job hiring opportunities on Okinawa for family members can be obtained by contacting the Personal Services Center's Family Member Employment Assistance Program. Upon arrival, family members should visit the Personal Services Center. The Employment Assistance Manager offers aid to the job seeker. The services provided include: listing of current job vacancies, individual assistance with application completion, resumes and career guidance; and workshops on topics such as Local Job Search, Federal employment opportunities, SF-171 application, interview skills, resume writing, and local job information fair.

Name: Kadena Civilian Personnel Flight (CPF)
Address: Kadena Air Base, Douglas Blvd, Bldg 721A
Phone: 011-81-611-734-1358
DSN Phone: 634-1358
Comments: JOB INFORMATION HOT LINE: From CONUS: 011-81-611-734-3285 DSN: 634-3285 All Air Force, Army, Defense Commissary Agency (DeCA) and Defense Reutilization Management Office (DRMO) Appropriated Fund positions are serviced by this office.

Name: Kadena Human Resource Office (HRO)
Address: Kadena Air Base, Douglas Blvd, Bldg 723
Phone: 011-81-611-734-2330
DSN Phone: 634-2330
Comments: AUTOMATED JOB LINE: From CONUS: 011-81-611-734-5627 DSN: 634-5627 All Air Force Non-Appropriated Fund positions with the 18th Services Squadron (formerly MWR) are serviced by this office.

Name: MCCS Human Resources Office
Address: Camp Foster, Bldg. 5710
Phone: 011-81-611-745-2883/3052
FAX: 011-81-611-745-3764
DSN Phone: 645-2883/3052
Comments: JOB INFO LINE: From CONUS: 011-81-611-745-3764 Marine Corps Community Services and Child Development Center positions are serviced by this office.

Name: Navy Non-Appropriated Fund Instrumentality (NAFI) Personnel Office
Address: Kadena Air Base, COMFLEACTS, Bldg. 3597
Phone: 011-81-611-734-8769
DSN Phone: 634-8769
Comments: All Navy Non-Appropriated Fund positions on Kadena, Camp Shields and White Beach are serviced by this office.

Name: Torii Station Human Resource Office
Address: Torii Station, Bldg 236
Phone: 011-81-611-744-4701
FAX: 644-4928
DSN Phone: 644-4701
WWW Link: http://www.cpol.army.mil
Comments: All Army Non-Appropriated Fund positions with Torii Service MWR are serviced by this office. All Army vacancy announcements for jobs on Okinawa can be accessed on the internet under Army Employment Opportunities, Pacific Region: Japan. (SEE WEBSITE ADDRESS) All applications must be submitted electronically to civilian personnel in the Department of the Army, there is no traditional Army CPO or job information center on Okinawa.

Permanent Employment Resources

Please refer to Listing for more details.

Name: Air Force Career Focus/Spouse Employment
Address: Bldg. 99, Kadena Air Force Base
Phone: 011-81-611-734-7538/33
DSN Phone: 634-7538/33
Comments: Family member employment assistance is provided including workshops on resume writing, how to complete a SF-171 application, interview skills, and job hunting techniques.

Name: American Red Cross
Address: Unit 35175
City: APO 96368
Phone: 011-81-611-734-1294
DSN Phone: 634-1294
Comments: Positions: Field secretary and after hours case worker.

Name: Colleges and Universities
Comments: University of Maryland Central Texas College University of Oklahoma Michigan State University Troy State University Positions: Administrative Assistant, Field Representatives, Instructors/Assistants Please refer to Education, Colleges and Universities for more details.

Name: Family Member Employment Assistance Program (FMEAP)
Address: Bldg. 445, Camp Foster
Phone: 011-81-611-745-3151/3508
FAX: 011-81-611-745-3930
DSN Phone: 645-3151/3508
DSN FAX: 645-3930
E-Mail: mccsfmeap@mcbbutler.usmc.mil
Comments: Military and family member employment assistance is provided including workshops on resume writing, how to complete a SF-171 application, interview skills, and job hunting techniques. Weekly local employment assistance workshops provides employment information and job search techniques on Okinawa.

Name: Nations Bank, Bldg 1005 Camp Foster
Address: Unit 35019
City: FPO 96373- 5019
Phone: 011-81-611-745-3992
FAX: 011-81-098-893-5169
Comments: Part-time teller, supply specialist and proof operator are good employment prospects at the bank. Experience not required; on-the-job training will be provided.

Name: Navy Federal Credit Union (NFCU), Bldg 1009 Camp Foster
Address: PSC 557 Box 476
City: FPO 96379- 0476
Phone: 011-81-611-745-7331
FAX: 011-81-098-892-0265
DSN Phone: 645-7331
Comments: Teller, member service representative, and counselor positions are good employment prospects at the NFCU.

Name: New Parent Support Program
Address: Camp Foster
Phone: 011-81-611-745-0396/97
DSN Phone: 645-0396/97
Comments: Positions: Home Visitor

Name: Pentagon Federal Credit Union (PFCU), Bldg 420 Kadena Air Base
Phone: 011-81-611-733-4505
DSN Phone: 633-4505
Comments: Teller and member service representative are good employment prospects at the PFCU. Prior banking or credit union experience preferred.

Name: USO
Comments: Positions: Bookkeeper, Administrative Assistant, Snack Bar Worker, Driver, Gift Counter/Information Clerk, Program Coordinator, Instructors. Please refer to the Military Related and civic organizations for more details.

Temporary Employment Resources

Please refer to the Employment Overview for more details.

Non-Paid or Volunteer Opportunities

Please refer to Listing for more details.

Name: American Red Cross, Bldg 99 Kadena Air Base
Address: Unit 35175
City: APO 96368- 5175
Phone: 011-81-611-734-1294/4611
FAX: 011-81-611-734-0198
DSN Phone: 634-1294/4611
DSN FAX: 634-0198

Name: MCCS Human Resources Office
Address: Camp Foster, Bldg. 5710
Phone: 011-81-611-745-2883/3052
DSN Phone: 645-2883/3052

Name: Navy/Marine Corps Relief, Bldg 5674 Camp Foster
Phone: 011-81-611-745-2357/7808
DSN Phone: 645-2357/7808
Comments: Provides spouse and family members to volunteer at various Navy & Marine Corps activities to gain the experience & training needed for their career.

Chambers of Commerce

Please refer to Listing for more details.

Name: Naha City Chamber of Commerce
Address: 1-1-1 Izumizaki
Phone: 011-81-098-868-3758

Name: Okinawa City Chamber of Commerce
Address: 26-1 Nakasone
Phone: 011-81-098-938-8022

Name: American Chamber of Commerce
Address: P.O. Box 235, Okinawa City, Okinawa
Phone: 011-81-098-933-5146

Private Sector Employment

Private sector employment is limited and may require Japanese language proficiency.

Please refer to Listing for more details.

Name: Family Member Employment Assistance Program (FMEAP)
Address: Bldg 445, Camp Foster
Phone: 011-81-611-745-3151/3508
FAX: 011-81-611-745-3930
DSN Phone: 645-3151/3508
DSN FAX: 645-3930
E-Mail: mccsfmeap@mcbbutler.usmc.mil

Government Employment

See Federal Civilian Employment for Spouses

Professional or Occupational Licensing

Please refer to Listing for more details.

Name: Child Care
Address: Bldg 5710 Camp Foster
Phone: 011-81-611-745-2174
DSN Phone: 645-2174

Name: Home Business
Address: Bldg 1 Camp Butler (Base Inspector)
Phone: 011-81-611-745-7461
DSN Phone: 645-7461

Name: Teacher Certification
Address: Bldg 6800 Kadena Air Base
Phone: 011-81-611-734-1204
DSN Phone: 634-1204

Networking Opportunities

The military spouse who is seeking to develop a personal career must tackle the problems imposed by frequent moves. Networking before you move as well as after you arrive can sometimes be the key to a successful job search.

Some "Tips for a career move" include:

Check to see if your present employer has a facility in our area. A transfer may be possible.

Talk about the move. Friends, relatives or co-workers may have ideas.

For help in targeting specific organizations that best match your career needs, please contact the Spouse Employment Specialist, at the Personal Services Center.

Medical And Dental

Medical and Dental Overview

EMERGENCY SERVICES On-Base.: 911 Off-Base: 893-7911

The Naval Hospital, at Camp Lester, is a full service hospital providing outstanding medical support compared to most stateside medical facilities. It also runs a Joint Blood Program. While the main facility at Camp Lester provides the primary care, family care is also located at the Bush Clinic at Camp Courtney, Kinser Family Practice, Evans Clinic at Camp Foster, and the Kadena Clinic.

Military Family Medicine Clinics

Clinic hours are from 0730 until 1600 Monday through Friday. The Camp Lester Clinic also has appointments available Saturdays from 1000 until 1400. The Military Family Medicine Clinics offer a wide variety of preventive, diagnostic and definitive care services to Active Duty Service Members,

Retirees, DOD Civilians and their family members. There are four main Family Medicine clinics:

Evans MFM Clinic, Camp Foster, Lester MFM Clinic, Camp Lester, Bush MFM Clinic, Camp Courtney and Kinser MFM Clinic, Camp Kinser

Family Practice: A variety of appointments are available in the Family Practice Clinics including:

Acute Routine

Well-Baby Prenatal care

Pap/ School Sport Physicals
Pelvic Examinations

School Sport Physicals General Administrative Screenings

All Family Practice Clinics have the capability to perform minor surgical procedures including vasectomies, wart removals, skin biopsies, colposcopy, endoscopy, and toenail removals. Appointments should be made through the clinic or Primary Care Manager (PCM) with primary responsibility for your care.

Primary Care: Designed with the Active Duty Service Member in mind, the following primary care appointments are available:

Acute Routine

Pap/Pelvic General Administrative Screenings
Examinations

Health
Maintenance Screenings

Minor surgical procedures are also handled through primary care to include vasectomies, wart removal, skin biopsies, and toenail removals. All clinics have a Primary Care Selection for treatment. Primary Care is also available on other bases in the Military Medicine Clinics.

Extended Clinic Hours: Beginning in May 98 the below listed clinics will have extended hours Mondays and Wednesdays until 1900.

Lester Military Family Medicine Clinic
Kinser Military Family Medicine Clinic
Bush Military Family Medicine Clinic

Appointments for these clinic will be given out through the Family Practice appointment numbers listed above.

Pharmacy Services: All Primary Care Clinics have a well staffed and highly knowledgeable pharmacy that can assist patients with Pharmaceutical questions.

All clinics have a limited supply of over the counter medications that may be given out per customer request. Renewal of prescriptions can be done through Telephone Consults with your health care provider.

Immunizations: Immunization Clinics are open from 0730-1100 and 1300-1530. All clinics are capable of giving adult Immunizations. Pediatrics immunizations can be given at the following locations:

Evans Military Family Medicine Clinic, Kinser Military Family Medicine Clinic, and Bush Military Family Medicine Clinic.

All immunization clinic are operated on a walk-in bases by personnel who have been certified by the US Naval Hospital Staff education and Training Department. Please bring medical records and Immunization (shot) Cards.

Overseas Screenings: The Overseas Screening Coordinator in each clinic conducts routine Overseas Screening as well as Command Sponsorship Screening for locally acquired dependents.

Outpatient Medical Records: The Outpatient Medical Section of each clinic is responsible for the care and maintenance of your medical record. Please be aware that medical records are the property of the U.S. Government and should only be kept at the medical treatment facility.

The 3d Dental Battalion/U.S. Naval Dental Center, Okinawa provides comprehensive dental treatment to active duty, family members, and all eligible beneficiaries. Our focus is to promote health and improve the quality of life through providing quality dental treatment to all eligible beneficiaries, while maintaining a high state of operational dental readiness.

Name: Health Benefits Advisor
Address: U. S. Naval Hospital
Phone: 011-81-611-743-7499
DSN Phone: 643-7499
Comments: The Health Benefits Advisor's (HBA) offices at the Naval Hospital and the Air Force 18th Medical Group can assist you with filing claims and can provide you with information about civilian medical care. Contact the HBA whenever you have a question about obtaining medical care. To ensure prompt personal attention, appointments are available for your convenience. Remember that HBA s cannot guarantee coverage under TRICARE. Each claim is reviewed by the TRICARE contractor for payment determinations in accordance with uniformed services eligibility rules and the TRICARE Standard regulation.

Name: U. S. Naval Hospital Customer Relations
Phone: 011-81-611-743-7555
DSN Phone: 643-7348
E-Mail: custrel@oki10.med.navy.mil
WWW Link: http://www.oki.med.navy.mil
Comments: We are always looking for ways to improve our services. Please help us in that effort and share your ideas by calling 24 hours a day to our Command Customer Relations Representative or email. You may also submit your comments right here on our web site by filling out our Patient Comment Form. Should you require additional information not contained at this web site, please call our Information Desk at 643-7555 or 643-7509.

Medical Services/Directory - on Installation

Medical Services Provided:

Allergy Clinic	Audiology Clinic
Cardiology	Dermatology Clinic
EEG's/EMG's/Sleep Studies	ENT Clinic
(Otolaryngology	
Environmental & Occupational Health	Eye Clinic
(Ophthalmology/Optometry)	
Family Practice	General Surgery
Clinic	
Internal	Medicine
Laboratory/Psychiatric Services	
Mental Health/Psychiatric Services	Neurology
Clinic	
Neurosurgery Clinic	Nutrition Clinic
Obstetrics & Gynecology Clinic	Orthopaedic

Podiatry Clinic
Pharmacy
Radiology Department
Therapy
Same Day Surgery

Pediatrics
Physical Therapy
Respiratory
Urology

Educational, developmental & Intervention Services

Please refer to Listing for more details.

Medical Services/Directory - on Installation

<i>Clinic</i>	<i>POC</i>	<i>Number</i>
Bush Family Practice Clinic		011-81-611-722-7632
EFMP Coordinator		011-81-611-745-2104
Evens Clinic		011-81-611-745-7617
Flight Line Clinic		011-81-611-734-1922
Futenma Clinic		011-81-611-736-3150
Hansen Clinic		011-81-611-723-4681
Kinser Dependent Clinic		011-81-611-737-3995
Kinser Group Aid Station		011-81-611-737-1881
Schwab Clinic		011-81-611-725-2234
Torii Clinic		011-81-611-744-4322
U.S. Naval Hospital Emergency Room		011-81-611-743-7338
USN Hospital		011-81-611-743-7555
White Beach Clinic		011-81-611-742-2378

Health Benefits Advisor, Wellness, and CHAMPUS/TRICARE Programs

Please refer to Listing for more details.

Name: Dieting-Nutrition
Address: USNH
Phone: 011-81-611-743-7714/7715
DSN Phone: 643-7714/7715

Name: Tri Care Health Benefits Advisor
Address: Bldg 6000, Camp Lester
Phone: 011-81-611-743-7499
DSN Phone: 643-7499
E-Mail: tricare@oki10.med.navy.mil

Name: Wellness Center, etc
Address: USNH
Phone: 011-81-611-743-7625
DSN Phone: 643-7625

Community Hospitals

Please refer to Listing for more details.

Name: Adventist Medical Center
Address: Naha
Phone: 946-2833
Proximity to site: Near Camp Kinser

Name: Chubu Hospital
Address: Akamachi
Phone: 973-4111
Proximity to site: Between Camp Courtney & Foster

Name: Heart Life Hospital
Address: Nakagusuku-son
Phone: 895-3255
Proximity to site: Near Camp Foster

Name: Minei Hospital #1
Address: Urasoe-shi
DSN Phone: 877-5806
Proximity to site: Near MCAS Futenma

Name: Minei Hospital #2
Address: Urasoe-shi
Phone: 878-0055
Proximity to site: Near Camp Kinser

Name: Naka Hospital
Address: Kadena-cho
Phone: 956-1161
Proximity to site: Near Kadena Air Base

Name: Ryukyu University Hospital
Address: Naha
Phone: 895-3331
Proximity to site: South of Camp Kinser

Dental Services/Directory - on Installation

Please refer to Listing for more details.

Dental Services/Directory - on Installation

<i>Clinic</i>	<i>POC</i>	<i>Number</i>
Branch Dental Clinic, Camp Hansen	Central Appointments/Emergencies	011-81-611-723-4657
Branch Dental Clinic, Camp Kinser	Central Appointments/Emergencies	011-81-611-737-2828
Branch Dental Clinic, Camp Schwab	Central Appointments/Emergencies	011-81-611-725-2603
Branch Dental Clinic, Kadena AFB	Central Appointments	011-81-611-734-6420
Branch Dental Clinic, MCAS Futenma	Central Appointments/Emergencies	011-81-611-736-3171
Branch Dental Clinic, Camp Courtney	Central Appointments	011-81-611-722-7569
U.S. Naval Dental Center, Camp Foster	Central Appointments	011-81-611-745-7381/82

Family Member Dental Plan

FAMILY MEMBER DENTAL PLAN

Dental care for Family members of active duty personnel is provided on an appointment basis. While the primary mission of the command is to maintain active duty personnel at a high state of dental readiness, the maximum amount of care possible will be provided for family members of active duty personnel.

EXAMINATION

Examinations may be arranged by calling the clinics listed. (Please refer to listing for more details.)

Patients who arrive on Okinawa with existing dental records are asked to bring them to the examination. Family member dental treatment will be provided at the clinic which performs the examination and maintains the dental record. Please select the dental clinic closest to where you live.

EMERGENCY CARE

Emergency treatment is available at all facilities during normal working hours, 0700 - 1600. After hours care will be provided at the Camp Hansen Dental Clinic and the U. S. Naval Dental Center Clinic on Camp Foster.

ROUTINE TREATMENT

Annual examinations, operative dentistry (fillings) and routine preventive care will be arranged on an appointment basis.

SPECIALTY TREATMENT

The U. S. Naval Dental Center at Camp Foster is responsible for much of the specialty treatment. If such treatment is indicated, your doctor will arrange for a referral or consultation. The availability of specialty care is explained more completely as follows:

PEDIATRIC DENTISTRY The specialists located at Camp Foster and Camp Courtney provide initial examinations and primary care for children from infancy to age five. Children having special needs, including behavioral problems may be referred for consultation. Limited routine dental care by the

specialist for older children may be available as time permits on a case-by-case basis.

ORTHODONTICS Family members initially arriving on Okinawa with full active orthodontic appliances will, after an initial examination, be referred to the orthodontist at Camp Kinser, Camp Courtney, or USNDC clinic at Camp Foster. Questions regarding the availability of orthodontic evaluations can be answered by those clinics.

ENDODONTICS Elimination of pain or infection will be accomplished by emergency treatment. Definitive restorative care after completion of root canal therapy will consist of tooth colored fillings for front teeth and amalgam fillings for posterior teeth. Crowns and bridges will not normally be available.

PERIODONTICS Active duty personnel and family members are treated on an appointment basis.

PROSTHODONTICS Active duty personnel and family members are treated on an appointment basis.

OTHER GUIDELINES For appropriate treatment planning, if a patient's medical history is complicated or unclear, consults to the patient's physician or a review of the medical record may be required.

Children under 18 years of age are minors. Their parents or guardians must complete a consent form authorizing dental treatment and remain in the clinic while treatment is performed.

Failed appointments result in a loss of valuable professional time and deprive others of treatment. An appointment is considered to be failed if cancellation occurs within 24 hours of the appointment or if you are late. Failed appointments may be reported to the sponsor's Commanding Officer and may result in treatment being performed on a stand-by basis. Please do not bring children not having an appointment to the dental clinic. Children cannot be left unattended and we lack the staff to provide adequate supervision. This policy is designed to protect the health and well being of the children.

Family members are encouraged to utilize both appointments and the stand-by system to receive dental examinations and treatment. Whenever an appointment is open due to cancellation or failure, the stand-by patient is eligible for treatment. This is a convenient and often under utilized means of accomplishing the required dental treatment.

LANGUAGE FOR AREA CLEARANCE/DEPENDENT ENTRY APPROVAL

Dental Health Care

- (1) General restorative dental services are available.
- (2) Orthodontic care is available for Active Duty personnel and family members who are undergoing active orthodontic treatment before PCS orders to Okinawa are received. Heavy case loads limit initiation of orthodontic treatment for active duty personnel and family members.
- (3) Specialty Care (i.e., prosthodontics, periodontics, endodontics and oral surgery) is available on a limited basis. Two pediatric dentists are available for children on a limited basis.
- (4) The Overseas TRICARE Family Member Dental Plan (OTFMDP) is available on Okinawa. With the exception of orthodontics, most dental treatment needs can be provided by the military dental clinics on Okinawa. The vast majority of family members will not need to use the OTFMDP. There are situations however, where it may be beneficial for one or more family members to be enrolled in the plan. Therefore, it is recommended that you contact the dental Health Benefits Advisor (HBA) before disenrolling from OTFMDP.

Please refer to Listing for more details.

Name: Branch Dental Clinic
Address: MCAS Futenma
Phone: 011-81-611-736-3171
DSN Phone: 636-3171

Name: Branch Dental Clinic
Address: Camp Courtney
Phone: 011-81-611-722-7539
DSN Phone: 622-7539

Name: Branch Dental Clinic
Address: Camp Kinser
Phone: 011-81-611-737-2828
DSN Phone: 637-2828

Name: Branch Dental Clinic
Address: Camp Schwab
Phone: 011-81-611-725-2603
DSN Phone: 625-2603

Name: Drinkhoude Dental Clinic
Address: Camp Hansen
Phone: 011-81-611-723-4657

Name: Flightline Dental Clinic
Address: Kadena AFB
Phone: 011-81-611-734-6420
DSN Phone: 634-6420

Name: US Naval Dental Center
Address: Camp Foster
Phone: 011-81-611-745-7381/82/83
DSN Phone: 645-7381/82/83

Housing

Housing Overview

Military Family Housing is administered by the Air Force (AFH 32-6009). A member's duty location determines the housing area they can reside in (North, Central, or South). All personnel must report to the housing office for application upon arrival to Okinawa.

PETS

Be advised that pets (other than aquatic animals and caged small birds) can delay, and in some cases, impede assignment to on-base quarters. The no pet policy is in effect for mid- and high-rise tower apartments. You cannot remain on Temporary Lodging Allowance (TLA) because of nonacceptance of quarters due to pet ownership.

The 8,128 military family housing units, spread over 19 different areas island wide, are administered by the Air Force. The majority of on-base units are quadrplexes, although there are a number of duplexes, single-family homes and high-rise apartments as well. Depending on the time of year, with summer housing requests being the largest, command-sponsored families can expect about a 4 to 12 month wait before moving on base. Current off-base housing is considered to be below CONUS standards. However, newly constructed units are now geared toward the western style of architecture and with amenities such as patio, smoke detector, air conditioners, washer and dryer. Rent and utilities are expensive. Initial cost to set up housekeeping range from \$2,000 to \$4,500 which include: rent for 1 BR - \$526 to \$829; 2 Br - \$614 to \$1,580; 3 Br - \$950 to \$1,895; and 4 Br - \$1,263 to \$2,700. Rental deposit normally equals one month's rent; and agent's fee are

usually half the amount of the rent.(The YEN rate fluctuate between 100 - 120 yen to the dollar.)

The good news is, that you will receive more compensation in the form of Temporary Lodging Allowance (TLA), Move In Housing Allowance (MIHA), Overseas Housing Allowance (OHA) and Cost of Living Allowance (COLA). TLA is money you receive to defray the high cost of temporary lodging. The amount is determined by your pay grade, family size and whether or not you have access to cooking facilities. TLA is normally limited to 30 days, however under extraordinary circumstances can be extended out to 60 days. Keep in mind that this is a reimbursement system, therefore, you must have money available up front. Military members are authorized to use thir Government Travel Charge Card for the payment of lodging expenses. On-Base facilities will accept the card. MIHA is only received by Marines serving a command sponsored accompanied tour and moving out in town on a Government funded move. MIHA is currently equal to \$452.00 and is a non-repayable allowance designed to offset the high move-in cost. Additionally, housing agency fees are reimbursable as pare of the MIHA allowance. OHA is payable to servicemembers that reside out in town and not in government quarters. The ceiling rate that is quoted below is designed to cover 100% of the expenses for 80% of the servicemembers. Finally, COLA goes a long way toward defraying the expense of goods and services usually purchased off-base. COLA is based on the member's paygrade, the number of dependents a service member has and their PEBD (Pay Entry Base Date).

FURNITURE PROVIDED FOR ACCOMPANIED OR COMMAND SPONSORED TOUR

ON-BASE HOUSING

1 DOUBLE BED 1 SINGLE BED PER
DEPENDENT BUNK BED FOR THOSE WHO
QUALIFY 1 CHEST OF DRAWERS PER PERSON
1 DRESSER PER BEDROOM OCCUPIED 2
NIGHT STANDS PER MASTER BEDROOM AND
1 PER OTHER BEDROOMS 2 DESK WITH 1
CHAIR EACH 1 DINING TABLE 6 DINING
CHAIRS (4 WITHOUT ARMS, 2 W/ARMS)

1 CHINA CABINET 2 BUFFET 1 SOFA
2 EASY CHAIRS 2 END TABLES 1
COFFEE TABLE 2 BOOKCASES

OFF-BASE HOUSING

SAME AS ON-BASE PLUS ADDITIONAL ITEMS LISTED BELOW:

1 REFRIGERATOR 1 DRYER 1 RANGE
1 WASHER 1 WALL MIRROR

OFF-BASE UNACCOMPANIED AIR FORCE AND CIVILLIAN AIR FORCE PERSONNEL/DODDS (Furniture IS NOT provided for unaccompanied Marine Corps personnel authorized to reside out in town.)

1 DOUBLE/SINGLE BED 1 CHEST OF DRAWERS 1 NIGHT STAND 1 MIRROR 1 SOFA 2 EASY CHAIRS 1 DESK 1 DINNING TABLE (DROP LEAF) 1 CHINA CABINET 4 DINNING CHAIRS 1 DESK CHAIR 2 BOOKCASES 1 COFFEE TABLE 2 END TABLES 1 BUFFET 1 DRESSER 1 REFRIGERATOR 1 DRYER 1 RANGE 1 WASHER ALL QUANTITIES ARE IN ACCORDANCE WITH AFR 140-1/TA-414 AND

SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY

Please refer to Listing for more details.

Name: Billeting Office
Address: Camp Foster
Phone: 011-81-611-745-2474/7844

Name: Housing Office
Address: Camp Kinser
Phone: 011-81-611-737-3736

Name: Housing Office
Address: Camp Courtney
Phone: 011-81-611-722-7317

Name: Housing Referral Section
Address: Kadena Air Base
Phone: 011-81-611-734-1271/0147

Housing Allowances

Housing allowance information is available from the Per Diem, Travel and Transportation Allowance Committee's Web Site:	
Rates and Allowances Home Page	http://www.dtic.mil/perdiem/rateinfo.html
Basic Allowance for Housing	http://www.dtic.mil/perdiem/bah.html
Overseas Housing Allowance	http://www.dtic.mil/perdiem/allooha.html

Government Housing

Military Family Housing is administered by the Air Force IAW Air Force Handbook 32-6009. All personnel must report to the housing office for application upon arrival to Okinawa, "after checking in with their new command".

The Okinawa Area Coordinating Committee has established a "live where you work" policy. This is generally not a waivable policy and simply states that you will live in one of the following areas based on duty site.

The Northern housing area is that housing contained at Camps Courtney and McTureous. Personnel stationed in the the North; Camps Courtney, Hansen, Schwab, McT and White Beach will be housed there. Generally only multiplex and hi-rise units available in the north. Please refer to Listing in Housing Overview for the satellite housing office.

The Central housing area includes housing at Camp Shields, Chibana, Kadena AB, and Camps

Lester/Foster/Butler. Personnel stationed at those camps will be housed there. Also, personnel stationed at Futenma have a one time option of choosing Central and/or Southern. All types of housing units are available in Central. The personnel housed there are served by the Housing Office aboard Kadena. Please refer to Listing in Housing Overview for more details.

The Southern housing area includes housing at Camp Kinser. Personnel stationed at Kinser (or Futenma, see above) will be housed there. Generally only hi-rises and some multiplex, but not for all grades. Please refer to Listing in Housing Overview for the satellite housing office.

There is a "no pets in the towers" rule. Personnel who will be at Kinser, for example, may want to consider not bringing pets with them. However, if they do, they may be subjecting themselves to living on the economy for their entire tour.

The Marine Liaison serves all Marines in the three areas.

Type of housing units available - As of 1 Nov 99 S-
Single D-Duplex M-Multiplex H-Highrise

Find your anticipated housing area below to get the
best idea of what your housing situation will be.

NORTHERN AREA ESTIMATED WAITING
TIME

FIELD GRADE 4BR: AVERAGE 8-10 MONTHS

FIELD GRADE 3BR: AVERAGE 10-12 MONTHS

COMPANY GRADE 4BR: AVERAGE 8-10
MONTHS

COMPANY GRADE 3BR: AVERAGE 9-11
MONTHS

SENIOR NCO 4BR: AVERAGE 8-10 MONTHS
(E-7 - E-9)

SENIOR NCO 3BR: AVERAGE 13-15 MONTHS
(E-7 - E-9)

JUNIOR NCO 4BR: AVERAGE 10-12 MONTHS

JUNIOR NCO 3BR: AVERAGE 16-18 MONTHS

JUNIOR NCO 2BR: AVERAGE 18-20 MONTHS

CENTRAL AREA ESTIMATED WAITING TIME

FIELD GRADE 4BR: AVERAGE 9-11 MONTHS

FIELD GRADE 3BR: AVERAGE 10-12 MONTHS

COMPANY GRADE 4BR: AVERAGE 9-11
MONTHS

COMPANY GRADE 3BR: AVERAGE 9-11
MONTHS

SENIOR NCO 4BR: AVERAGE 11-13 MONTHS
(E-7 - E-9)

SENIOR NCO 3BR: AVERAGE 9-11 MONTHS
(E-7 - E-9)

JUNIOR NCO 4BR: AVERAGE 14-17 MONTHS

JUNIOR NCO 3BR: AVERAGE 8-10 MONTHS

JUNIOR NCO 2BR: AVERAGE 10-12 MONTHS

JUNIOR NCO 1BR: AVERAGE 6-8 MONTHS

JUNIOR ENLISTED 2BR: AVERAGE 18-20
MONTHS

JUNIOR ENLISTED 3BR: AVERAGE 16-18
MONTHS

SENIOR PRESTIGE (E-9 ONLY) INDEFINITE

SOUTH WAITING TIME

FIELD GRADE 4BR: AVERAGE 11-12 MONTHS

FIELD GRADE 3BR: AVERAGE 8-10 MONTHS

COMPANY GRADE 4BR: AVERAGE 10-12
MONTHS

COMPANY GRADE 3BR: AVERAGE 5-7
MONTHS

SENIOR NCO 4BR: AVERAGE 11-13 MONTHS

SENIOR NCO 3BR: AVERAGE 12-14 MONTHS

JUNIOR NCO 4BR: AVERAGE 10-13 MONTHS

JUNIOR NCO 3BR: AVERAGE 3-5 MONTHS

JUNIOR NCO 2BR: AVERAGE 2-4 MONTHS

Civilian

MFH is available as long as Pro Rate share for
Civilian personnel assignment in MFH has not been
met.

Please refer to Listing for more details.

Name: Marine Liaison
Address: Kadena Air Base
Phone: 011-81-611-734-0114
DSN Phone: 634-0114

Community Housing

There are multiple types, styles and sized dwellings
available in Okinawa. Everything from studio
apartments to four bedroom houses. Pets are not
always allowed in off-base housing units, a pet
deposit is required (usually \$300.00) to cover any
potential damage caused by the pet. For the most

accurate information on current housing situation, contact your sponsor.

The YEN rate fluctuate between 100 - 120 yen to the dollar.

Please refer to Listing for more details.

Housing/Utilities Deposits

Apartment Utilities	Deposit	Rental	Av	Sq Ft
1BR (Unfurnished): \$ - 450	754	754	600	250
2BR (Unfurnished): \$ - 450	860	860	850	250
3BR (Unfurnished): \$ 250 - 450	1,100	1,100		1,100
4BR (Unfurnished): \$ 250 - 450	1,315	1,315		1,400

* ALL PRICES ARE AVERAGES

Name: Base Housing Section
Address: Kadena Air Base
Phone: 011-81-611-734-1271/0147
DSN Phone: 634-1140/0173

Utilities

Utilities (avg): \$250 - \$650 depending on size and amount of air conditioning used. The YEN rate fluctuate between 100 - 120 yen to the dollar.

Type	Low	Average	High
Water	\$ 16	24	83
Electricity	77	145	292
Electricity Peak Summer Month			85
550 Gas/Kerosene		17	48
Trash Collection		14	19
Telephone (Local Calls only)		14	52

The government of Japan (GOJ) reimburses the US Government for utility consumption/costs via the Utility Burden Sharing Program. Consequently, all Marines and DOD Civilians (who reside off-base) are required to turn-in receipts to their appropriate administrative offices for paid Electricity, Gas, Water, Propane, Kerosene and Sewage bills.

Please refer to Listing for more details.

Name: Water/Sewage
Address: City Office
Comments: Rate-Cost: Inexpensive Military Waiver of Deposit: No

Name: Electric
Comments: Rate-Cost: Depends on size and air conditioning usage. Military Waiver of Deposit: No

Name: Telephone
Comments: Rate-Cost: \$30 Military Waiver of Deposit: No If required to purchase phone number a one-time fee of \$750 required.

Name: Gas Company
Comments: Rate-Cost: Approximately \$35 er month Military Waiver of Deposit: No

Relocation Services

Relocation Services Overview

The Relocation Assistance Program (RAP) was mandated by the Military Family Relocation Act of 1989. This Act led to Public Law 101-89 which directs the Secretary of Defense to provide a standardized DoD-wide program. This led to Marine Corps Bases Japan Order 1754.2. In general, the RAP supports the mission of readiness by ensuring service members and their families are prepared for a mobile life-style. The RAP supports the Marine Corps mission of recruitment and retention by working to reduce hardships of a mobile life-style. RAP supports the Marine Corps mission of "quality of life" in two main ways: RAP legislation established requirements to minimize relocations and extend tours as much as possible; and RAP aims to prepare members and their families for less stressful relocations. RAC - The Relocation Assistance Center, located at Camp Foster with satellite offices at Camps Courtney, Schwab, Hansen, Kinser, and MCAS Futenma, provides assistance to all service members and their families who are relocating from one duty station to another. The range is quite substantial:

Pre-Departure Planning Determining Needs and
Priorities Destination Information (Sample Welcome

Aboard Packages) Sponsorship Assistance and Training Automated Relocation Information (S.I.T.E.S.) Automated Road Atlas Resource Library, to include videos on Marine Corps installations Realtor Relocation Packages Relocation Workshops Newcomer Orientations Cultural Adaptation Programs

RACC - The Relocation Assistance Coordinating Committee (RACC) is a key element of the Relocation Assistance Program (RAP). This committee is the formal meeting place of all the players in the relocation arena on the installation. It is in this forum that all relocation related issues can be raised and discussed. Additionally, it is an opportunity for the visible demonstration of command support for the program. Finally, the RACC is a point of access to all of the other relocation service providers on the installation. With so many critical roles, it is clear that establishing an effective RACC is one of the most important steps in building a successful RAP.

S.I.T.E.S. - Standard Information Topic Exchange Service (SITES) is the DoD's automated relocation information retrieval system. SITES has been designed and is managed by the Defense Manpower Data Center (DMDC) in Monterey, CA in consultation with all the military services. The three components of SITES are: The data collection program and template; The worldwide E-Mail and electronic file transferring capability between each installation relocation office and DMDC. This connectivity is established via the DISN; and The quarterly creation and worldwide distribution of a CD-ROM diskette that contains 27 different topics of information. These topics range from community and base overview to information on child care.

SPONSORSHIP - The Relocation Assistance Center acts as coordinator for the Navy and Marine Corps Sponsorship Program. To ensure optimum transition, the program requires that all personnel, regardless of rank, marital status, assignment to an accompanied or unaccompanied tour, be assigned a sponsor. Sponsorship program information is to be provided to the transferring service member by their command along with the notice of permanent change of station (PCS) transfer. The Relocation Assistance Center at Camp Foster is responsible for: (1) Preparing and maintaining "Welcome Aboard" packages that provide meaningful and up-to-date information to service members. (2) Maintaining a library of "Welcome Aboard" packages on all Navy and Marine Corps Personal Service Centers and making these available to departing service members and families.

There is a library at each of the Personal Service Center's satellite offices. (3) Conducting periodic sponsorship training and assisting sponsors as required to ensure a smooth move for the incoming service member and/or family. (4) Maintaining a loan closet of household items such as dishes, pots and pans, car seats, strollers, irons, ironing boards, cooking utensils, flatware, tumblers, and miscellaneous items.

NEWCOMERS' ORIENTATION. All new arrivals are required to attend one of these twice monthly orientations at Camp Foster E-Club, which include a cultural briefing to acquaint newcomers to the customs and life-style of their new surroundings. A multitude of organizations present information on facilities and activities available on Okinawa. Come join us and get a FREE continental breakfast. FREE child care is available on a limited space basis. Bus transportation will be provided from the Courtney, New Courtney, Hamagawa, Eagle, and Kuwae Lodges to the Butler O-Club via the Child Care Centers. Information/Signup: 645-3155/59. Second and Forth Wednesday of the month, 8:00 am - 4:00 pm.

Buses will depart at 6:30 am from: 1. The Courtney Lodge to the Foster E-Club via the New Courtney and Child Care Center. 2. The Hamagawa Lodge to the Foster E-Club via the Eagle, Kuwae and Child Care Center.

RELOCATION WORKSHOP - This half-day workshop is conducted monthly. Let us assist you by providing the right information at the right time. Facility experts from TMO, Disbursing, Financial Counseling, Housing and Relocation Assistance conduct overviews on benefits, paperwork and relocation preparation. We provide helpful hints, checklists, pamphlets, resources and vital information on clearing housing, TMO shipments, Disbursing allowances & claims, Financial Planning and more. Recommend attendance at least 3 months in advance and a specific duty station is not necessary for attendance.

** This brief is mandatory for all Marines in accordance with MCO 1320.11E and for all Navy Marine Corps personnel in accordance with MARCORBASESJAPANO 1754.1C. All spouses are encouraged to attend.

LOAN CLOSET - To provide basic home utensils, such as pots, pans, dishes, flatware, and tumblers to incoming command sponsored families until such time as they have access to their household goods

shipment. Car seats, strollers, high chairs, and playpens are also available. Because car seats are required on Okinawa, they are also available to families on leave. A copy of the leave orders, listing the location address, is required. These items are checked out for a 30 day period and may be extended an additional 30 days if required. A copy of the service member's orders is required. That service member's sponsor on Okinawa, may obtain these items in advance with a copy of the PCS orders.

Please refer to Listing for more details.

Name: PSC MCAS Futenma
Address: Bldg 550
Phone: 011-81-611-736-2140/43
DSN Phone: 636-2140/43

Name: PSC, Camp Courtney
Address: Bldg. 4425
Phone: 011-81-611-722-7332/9754
DSN Phone: 622-7332/9754

Name: PSC, Camp Foster
Address: Bldg. 445
Phone: 011-81-611-745-3159/839559
FAX: 011-81-611-745-7229
DSN Phone: 645-3159/8395
DSN FAX: 645-7229

Name: PSC, Camp Hansen
Address: Bldg. 2523
Phone: 011-81-611-723-4522/4860
DSN Phone: 623-4522/4860

Name: PSC, Camp Kinser
Address: Bldg. 1220
Phone: 011-81-611-737-2815/1628
DSN Phone: 637-2815/1628

Name: PSC, Camp Schwab
Address: Bldg. 3327
Phone: 011-81-611-725-2622/2699
DSN Phone: 625-2622/2699

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Please refer to the Relocation Services Overview for more details.

Name: Relocation Assistance Program
Address: Bldg 445Camp Foster
Phone: 011-81-611-745-3159/8395
FAX: 011-81-611-745-7229
DSN Phone: 645-3159/8395
DSN FAX: 745-7229
E-Mail: reloassist@mcbbutler.usmc.mil

In Transit Emergencies

No matter how well you've planned, emergencies do happen. What should you do in case of emergency while you are traveling?

First of all make sure you have all your important papers with you - not packed with your household goods. Numbers for the OOD, your Command Duty Office and your sponsor can be invaluable in case of emergency while in transit.

Please refer to the Major Unit Listings, for your unit Officer of Day.

The American Red Cross is always available for emergency aid anywhere you may be. Contact the nearest chapter (phone numbers are usually listed in the white pages of the local phone directory). They can sometimes help with emergency financial assistance and contacting individuals that will need to know where you are and what's happening.

Plan for the unexpected and it probably won't happen.

Name: Relocation Assistance Program
Address: Bldg 445 Camp Foster
Phone: 011-81-611-745-3159/8395
FAX: 011-81-611-745-7229
DSN Phone: 645-3159/8395
E-Mail: reloassist@mcbbutler.usmc.mil

Financial Preparedness

The two biggest expenses in moving to Okinawa are setting up a household and purchasing an automobile. If on-base housing is not initially available or you definitely plan on living off-base, be prepared to have between \$2,500 to \$4,500 to cover initial fees, such as first and last month's rent, plus a likely security deposit. Purchasing a reasonably priced used car will usually cost between \$1,500 to \$4,000. Of course, this doesn't include the fees required for annual American insurance and road tax. The road tax costs between \$50 to \$225, depending on the size of the vehicle. Just as in the states, American insurance rates depend on the carrier. Japanese Compulsory Insurance (JCI) rates average about \$100 a year.

Exceptional Family Member Program (EFMP)

The EFM is defined as a bona fide dependent with one or more handicapping condition or special need requiring special medical, medically related, educational or therapeutic services. The purpose of the EFMP is to reflect the Marine Corps concern and support for its members and their families. The EFMP is designed to help the handicapped reach their fullest potential, improve the quality of life of the affected family and prevent the cost of inappropriate assignment. Numerous services are provided, such as enrollment assistance, case management, informational and referral services, briefs and special assignments.

MEDICALLY RELATED SERVICES DEPARTMENT

OUR MISSION

A multidisciplinary healthcare team whose mission is to enhance the developmental and emotional well-being of individuals with special needs, birth to 21 years, and their families by providing comprehensive specialty medical and support services.

OUR VISION

Our vision is to be an optimally staffed, trained and equipped department working cohesively to provide a wide array of quality services enhanced by effective interactions with the educational, medical and military support services in our community.

HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS

* Developmental Pediatricians * Child Psychiatrist * Clinical Child Psychologist * Clinical Social

Workers * Community Health Nurses * Occupational Therapists * Physical Therapists * Speech-Language Pathologists * Audiologist * Optometrist * Ophthalmologist * Dietary Specialist

MEDICALLY RELATED SERVICES

Often medical evaluation and therapy are required to help children succeed in the school environment. These services are provided to school age children (ages 5 to 21) with services by a DoD dependent school (DODDS) or by family practice or pediatric clinics.

EARLY INTERVENTION SERVICES

U.S. Naval Hospital Okinawa serves as the lead agency in the Okinawa military community for the identification of developmental delay or potential handicapping condition for children from birth to age three. A team of pediatric specialists provide a community-based assessment and development of an individualized family service plan (IFSP) which is a treatment plan for the child and the family.

PRESCHOOL SERVICES FOR CHILDREN WITH DISABILITIES (PSC13)

This department works closely with DODDS in identifying, treating and enrolling children (ages 3 to 5) with language, motor and social skill delays in the PSCD program.

CHILD FIND

The child with special needs is often identified through medical, educational and community-based networks. Child find ensures parents are informed regarding services available for their child.

Please refer to Listing for more details.

Name: AIR FORCE - Child Find
Address: 18TH MEDICAL OPERATIONS SQUADRON, BLDG. 309, KADENA AIR BASE
Phone: 011-81-611-734-1266
DSN Phone: 634-1266

Name: ARMY - Child Find
Address: ARMY COMMUNITY SERVICES, TORII STATION
Phone: 011-81-611-744-4743
DSN Phone: 644-4743

Name: CHILD FIND
Address: BUILDING 1760, CAMP LESTER
Phone: 011-81-611-745-9181/9182
FAX: 011-81-611-745-7738
DSN Phone: 645-9181/9182
DSN FAX: 645-7738

Name: MARINE CORPS - Child Find
Address: BLDG. 445, CAMP Foster
Phone: 011-81-611-745-2104
DSN Phone: 645-2104

Name: Navy - Child Find
Address: U.S. NAVAL HOSPITAL
City: FPO, FPO AP 96362
Phone: 011-81-611-743-7586
DSN Phone: 643-7586

Household Goods In-Bound Shipments

Traffic Management Office (TMO) will provide you with all the necessary information to make your move a smooth one. You may have three separate shipments, an express shipment (1,000 lbs. maximum), a regular shipment (2,000 lbs. or 25% - whichever is greater - of your total shipping allowances as set by DoD) and a storage shipment. Household goods usually average 60 days transit time. Express shipments average 30 days.

Suggestions for Express Shipment

Television VCR with a few favorite tapes TV Antenna - Cable is available on most bases Dehumidifier Two Lamps Bedding (Dbl & Twin size sheets, blankets, pillows) Linens/Towels - One week supply Set of dishes - One set per family member Pots & Pans, Cooking utensils Crock pot, Baking items Mixing bowls, Colander Measuring cups & spoons Ice chest Coffee maker Laundry basket, iron & ironing board Microwave Clothing - Warm weather to chilly weather Radio w/ cassette player and tapes Space heater (if you already have one) Fans Throw rugs - Floors are usually tile on concrete ** Anything you can't manage without for 60 days **

Suggestions for Household Goods Shipment

Anything you will need to live on for 3 years Photo albums are encouraged Additional end tables are sometimes helpful Video tapes, cassette tapes, etc. Bulk items should be put in storage Keep books to a minimum

Single/unaccompanied personnel are normally limited to one shipment: Unaccompanied Baggage; Household Goods. This will be determined by the base you are departing from. See your local TMO representative for current information.

Items such as baby cribs, rugs, carpets, fans, lawnmowers and lamps, as well as professional books and equipment are not considered in your total weight allowance as these items are in short supply on Okinawa. The military housing and supply office here has a respectable supply of furniture and large appliances available to command sponsored families.

See listing of authorized base furniture under FURNITURE PROVIDED FOR ACCOMPANIED OR COMMAND SPONSORED TOUR within the HOUSING section (Housing Overview).

Although furniture is supplied, a recent survey of those who have come to Okinawa in recent years has recommended that you bring your own box spring and mattress, especially if you are used to sleeping on a queen or king size bed. Another item that was highly recommended was a comfortable chair or sofa. All other furniture is recommended for storage. You should strongly consider shipping fans, heaters, and dehumidifiers. Okinawa is hot and humid through most of the year, and although most government housing is centrally cooled and heated, housing out in town is not. Dehumidifiers prove useful as will electric blankets. Since almost all housing is made of concrete, a drill and masonry drill bits are highly recommended. If you own a freezer, it is recommended you ship this, as it will come in handy for extra food storage.

Bring your catalogs or subscribe to as many catalog outlets as you desire. Although the exchanges carry most necessities, it is difficult to find some items such as shoes in larger sizes, leotards, underwear and appropriate teenage clothing items. An order from any of the major outlets such as Spiegel and J.C. Penneys will take approximately two to six weeks to arrive.

Bring pictures and accessories to decorate your home. Even bring your own telephone! The faster you can make your house your home, the easier the transition and the more comfortable you will be.

Please refer to Listing for more details.

Name: TRANSPORTATION OFFICE
Address: Kadena Air Base Terminal
Phone: 011-81-611-734-2377
FAX: 011-81-611-734-7846
DSN Phone: 634-2377
DSN FAX: 634-7846

Name: Traffic Management Office
Address: Camp Foster
Phone: 011-81-611-745-7105
DSN Phone: 645-7105

Household Goods Out-Bound Shipments

Please refer to the Household Goods In-Bound Shipments for more details.

Household Goods Claims

The TMO office is located on Camp Foster near the commissary in building 5636. BE CERTAIN TO NOTIFY THIS OFFICE IF ANYTHING IS WRONG WITH YOUR SHIPMENT IMMEDIATELY! Any delay could result in YOU not receiving appropriate compensation.

Please refer to Listing for more details.

Name: Claims Office
Address: Camp Foster
Phone: 011-81-611-745-9253
DSN Phone: 645-9253

Household Goods Weight Allowances

Please refer to Listing for more details.

Household Goods Weight Allowances

<i>Grade</i>	<i>Allowance w/Dependents</i>	<i>Allowance wo/Dependents</i>
E1	5,000	1,500
E2	5,000	1,500
E3	5,000	2,000
E4	7,000-2yr-/8,000-2 Yr+	3,500-2yr-/7,000-2 Yr+
E5	9,000	7,000
E6	11,000	8,000
E7	12,500	10,500
E8	13,500	11,000
E9	14,500	12,000
W-1	12,000	10,000
W-2	13,500	12,500
W-3	14,500	13,000
W-4	17,000	14,000
O-1	12,000	10,000
O-2	13,500	12,500
O-3	14,500	13,000
O-4	17,000	14,000
O-5	17,500	16,000
O-6+	18,000	18,000

POV In-Bound Shipments

Shipping any U.S. made vehicle to Japan is discouraged. The current Japanese embargo law prohibits any U.S. made vehicle, 1976 or newer, from entering the country.

Please refer to Listing for more details.

Name: Traffic Management Office
Address: Camp Foster
Phone: 011-81-611-745-9248
DSN Phone: 645-9248

POV Out-Bound Shipments

Please refer to Listing for more details.

Name: Traffic Management Office
Address: Camp Foster
Phone: 011-81-611-745-0922
DSN Phone: 645-0922

POV Claims

Please refer to the Household Goods Claims for more details.

Pet Boarding/Kennels

The Karing Kennels, operated by the 18th Services Squadron, offers several services besides adoption including grooming, boarding and airport transport. For a fee, the kennels will even open after hours to accommodate people arriving to the island with their pet if needed.

THERE IS ONE KENNEL ON BASE (KARING KENNELS, DSN 632-4062) Fees are \$50.00/wk for dogs (\$10.00/day) and \$37.50/wk for cats (\$7.50/day). \$75.00/wk for two dogs - in same kennel (\$15.00/day), and \$52.50/week for two cats - in a double kennel (\$10.50/day).

Several off base kennels are also available at a much higher cost.

If you are bringing a pet, you should have your sponsor make reservations as soon as possible, as pets are NOT ALLOWED in base lodging facilities.

Please refer to Listing for more details.

Name: Karing Kennels
Address: Bldg 54300, Kadena AB
Phone: 011-81-611-732-4062
DSN Phone: 632-4062

Pet Licensing

Shipment of pets (dogs and cats) as excess baggage accompanying the member in PCS travel may be accomplished by requesting category or "B" travel. Advance reservations are required for pets and should be requested at the same time the PCS port call is being requested. There is no entitlement for shipment of pets at Government expense.

DOGS AND CATS ENTERING JAPAN ARE REQUIRED TO HAVE CURRENT RABIES VACCINATION AND HEALTH CERTIFICATES. (DOGS SHOULD ALSO BE VACCINATED FOR

KENNEL COUGH.) PREFERABLY, CERTIFICATES SHOULD BE ISSUED BY A MILITARY VETERINARIAN USING DD FORM 2208 FOR THE RABIES VACCINATION AND DD FORM 2209 FOR THE HEALTH CERTIFICATE. RABIES DATE MUST BE PUT ON THE HEALTH CERTIFICATE.

IF MILITARY CERTIFICATES ARE UNAVAILABLE, RABIES AND HEALTH CERTIFICATES MAY BE OBTAINED FROM A CIVILIAN VETERINARIAN. HOWEVER, THESE CIVILIAN CERTIFICATES MUST BE ENDORSED BY AN OFFICE OF THE US DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE (USDA). THAT IS, A USDA VETERINARIAN MUST SIGN EACH COPY OF THE CERTIFICATES AND PLACE A USDA RAISED STAMP ON EACH COPY.

THE IMPORTANCE OF THESE CERTIFICATES AND THE STAMP CANNOT BE OVER-EMPHASIZED!!

PETS ARE REQUIRED TO HAVE RABIES VACCINATION NO LESS THAN 30 DAYS BUT NOT MORE THAN 365 DAYS PRIOR TO ENTRY. HEALTH CERTIFICATES MUST BE ISSUED NO MORE THAN 10 DAYS PRIOR TO ENTRY. COPIES OF THESE CERTIFICATES, ALONG WITH PCS ORDERS, MUST ACCOMPANY PETS AND SHOULD BE AFFIXED TO THE OUTSIDE OF THE SHIPPING CAGE.

If pet is traveling without sponsor's orders, USFJ Forms 380EJ are necessary for customs-free entry and should be obtained from member's military sponsor at the new permanent duty station (PDS) in Japan. All original forms will be available FROM SPONSOR upon demand when going through Customs.

The cost to ship a pet via AMC is as follows: Pet and container, with a combined weight up to 70 lbs will be charged as one piece which is \$85. Pet(s) traveling in a single container, with a combined weight of up from 71-99 lbs, will be charged as two pieces of baggage which is \$170. Pet(s) and container, with a combined weight of up to 100 lbs or more, will not be accepted on the AMC flight. Pet shipment is limited to cats and dogs only. Any further information requests should be directed to your local Traffic Management Office.

The pet must be registered with the Military Police.

ID tag can be requested from the veterinary office.

Pet Quarantines

Dogs and cats are authorized, however by agreement between U.S. Forces and the Government of Japan, animals meeting entrance requirements may be placed in a 14 day "working" quarantine in the custody of their owner. Four copies of each pet's current rabies and health certificates must be provided, along with five copies of the service member's orders. Rabies immunizations have to have been administered more than 30 days, but less than one year prior to arrival. Keep in mind that rabies vaccinations aren't accepted by the Japanese unless the pet's record shows proof the shot was given by a United States Department of Agriculture-approved veterinarian. Besides proof of a rabies vaccination, the pet's health record must confirm that the animal came from an area void of any rabies outbreaks for at least the last six months. The record must also indicate the animal has no communicable diseases. Finally, be certain to get both the Rabies and Health Certificates from the same Veterinarian. The U.S. Army Veterinary Clinic at Kadena Air Base offer animal care services, which include immunizations, general medical care and minor surgery.

Dirofilariasis, or heartworm disease, is a major problem on Okinawa. It is recommended that all dogs arriving on Okinawa be on a heartworm preventative before arrival. Contact your local veterinarian before beginning any heartworm medication.

Birds are authorized providing they are not on the endangered species listing, and a certificate of ownership and place of purchase is available.

Veterinary Services

Please refer to Listing for more details.

Name: Site Veterinary Clinic
Address: Kadena Air Base
Phone: 011-81-611-734-0181/1362
DSN Phone: 634-0181/1362

Pet Transportation

Pets and container, with a combined weight of 100 pounds or more will not be accepted for category B shipment on AMC flights. Animals over the limit must go to a commercial airline. Since there are no direct commercial flights to Okinawa, you must fly via Hawaii and Guam or mainland Japan. Be sure to make appropriate arrangements prior to shipment!!!!

This also applies to a combination: (if you have more than one pet it is a total of 100 pounds of all your animals and containers.) Note: 15 pets per flight.

PETS

Be advised that pets (other than aquatic animals and caged small birds) can delay, and in some cases, impede assignment to on-base quarters. The no pet policy is in effect for mid- and high-rise tower apartments. You cannot remain on TLA because of nonacceptance of quarters due to pet ownership.

Please refer to Listing for more details.

Name: Air Force Traffic Management Office
Address: Kadena Air Base
Phone: 011-81-611-734-2159
DSN Phone: 634-2159

PCS Reporting Procedures

INPROCESSING/OUTPROCESSING (Joint Reception Center)

Arrival Through Kadena Air Base

Upon your arrival to Okinawa, all single/unaccompanied personnel E-5 and below will be deplaned directly into a bus. The bus will take you to the Joint Reception Center (JRC), where you will complete Customs and Immigrations. You will also be billeted there for the evening. The next day, you will complete the orientation course. At the completion of the orientation, your command will pick you up and complete the remainder of your checking in over the next ten days.

All single/unaccompanied personnel E-6 and above PLUS all accompanied personnel will clear Customs and Immigrations on Kadena Air Base. Your sponsor or command will pick you up there and complete the remainder of your checking in over the next ten days.

Arrival Through Naha Commercial Air Port

If you arrive through Naha International Airport or Naha Domestic Airport, as soon as you exit the baggage area, clear Customs and Immigrations if necessary, go outside the terminal and look for a white military bus. In the event the bus cannot be found, do one of the following: If you are at the International Airport, look back at the double doors near customs. There is a red sign to the left saying "Welcome to Okinawa U.S. Military Phone". Follow

its' directions and you will be stress free. If you arrived via the domestic airport, ask for assistance at the information desk on the use of the pay phone. Call 892-5111, when you hear the base's dial tone, dial 645-2604/7644/7218. Any one of those three numbers are active 24 hours a day. A driver will be dispatched immediately.

Your command will be notified of your arrival and assistance rendered at that time.

Arrival Through Narita International Air Port (Camp Fuji)

If you arrive through Narita International Air Port and your sponsor is not there to assist you and you need to contact Camp Fuji for assistance. The Japanese Civilian/Military Liaison is located at the Northwest Airline counter (by arrival exit number one) on the first deck. There is a telephone available, pick up the receiver and ask the operator to connect you with Camp Fuji. Give them 265-5238/29 (Camp Fuji OOD) or 265-5332/34 (S-1). If you need to wait for your ride, there is a USO lounge located on the second deck of Narita Airport.

Please refer to Listing for more details.

Name: Camp Fuji
Phone: 011-81-550-89-6102/6104 ext 328/329

Name: Joint Reception Center
Address: Camp Foster
Phone: 011-81-611-745-7728
DSN Phone: 645-7728

Separation Procedures

Please refer to the PCS Reporting Procedures for more details.

Billeting

On base Temporary Lodging Facilities are normally limited to thirty days maximum. For a family of four, the base facilities will cost approximately \$70.00 per day (lodging only). To obtain directions to any of these facilities from your port of entry please call the facility below.

There are also many off-base temporary facilities. These can range from \$30 to \$250 per day.

Please refer to Listing for more details.

Name: BILLETING OFFICE
Address: Camp Foster
Phone: 011-81-611-745-2191
DSN Phone: 645-2191

Name: Courtney Lodge (TEMPORARY LODGING FACILITIES)
Address: Camp Courtney
Phone: 011-81-611-722-9578
DSN Phone: 622-9578
Comments: No Pets

Name: Hansen Lodge (TEMPORARY LODGING FACILITIES)
Address: Camp Hansen
Phone: 011-81-611-723-4511
DSN Phone: 623-4511
Comments: No Pets

Name: Kuwae Lodge (TEMPORARY LODGING FACILITIES)
Address: Camp Lester
Phone: 011-81-611-745-9102/9201
DSN Phone: 645-9102/9201
Comments: No Pets

Unaccompanied PCS

Travel of Unaccompanied Family Members

UNACCOMPANIED DEPENDENTS

Individuals are strongly discouraged from individually sponsoring their dependents during an unaccompanied tour. The primary reason being the extreme financial burden that can be expected. If you are determined that you can make it work, then it is recommended that you consult with the First Sergeant, SJA, Disbursing, Financial Counselor, Customs and Housing.

Please refer to Listing for more details.

Name: Sato Travel - USMC
Address: Bldg 5859 Camp Foster
Phone: 011-81-611-745-1099
DSN Phone: 645-1099

Name: Sato Travel - USMC
Address: Bldg 4311 Camp Courtney
Phone: 011-81-611-722-6118
DSN Phone: 622-6118

Name: Sato Travel - USMC
Address: Bldg 2363 Camp Hansen
Phone: 011-81-611-723-7028
DSN Phone: 623-7028

Name: Sato Travel - USMC
Address: Bldg 107 Camp Kinser
Phone: 011-81-611-737-1908
DSN Phone: 637-1908

Support Services

Support Services Overview

Child Development Program (CDP)

The Child Development Program provides world class child care services to support operational readiness and mission accomplishment, and to enhance quality of life for patrons.

Marine Youth Activities

Marine Youth Activities is an exciting and ever-growing part of our community. We have three youth centers and all types of sporting activities offered.

MISSION

Our mission is to uplift the spirit of the youth in our communities, and to help develop them to their fullest potential.

We are always "adding on" to each of our centers to make them more fun. We have a miniature golf course, outdoor skating rink, tennis court, volleyball court and our newest addition - iron mountain playground.

MEMBERSHIP

We are open year-round to youth ages 5-17 (*18 accepted if enrolled in high School). To become a member simply sign-up at any Marine Youth/Teen Center. The cost is minimal.

SPORTS

MYA offers a variety of sports programs for youth ages 5-18. Included are: Soccer, basketball, cheerleading, tee ball, baseball and girls softball. We also offer special sporting events and sports clinics throughout the year.

MYA is an official chapter of the National Sports Coaches Association (NYSCA) and requires certification of each of our coaches. Our staff of sports professionals are NYSCA Certified Clinicians, and provides NYSCA instruction to every coach to ensure a high standard of instruction and that good sportsmanship is available to all of our participants.

CLASSES

While instructors are available, we offer as many classes as possible.

Popular classes are:

Martial Arts: Judo, Tae Kwan Do, Isshin-Ryu, Shorin-Ryu Karate. Gymnastics: (Tiny Tumblers-advanced:) Ages 3-18.

Dance: (Ballet, Tap & Jazz mix) Ages 2-18. *check individual centers for current schedule and availability.

Any new instructors must be 18 years or older.

SUMMER CAMP

Each summer we offer a weekly day camp program to children 5-10 years of age, as well as a Sports Camp. We contract students from credited universities who in the U.S. who are specially trained to run this program. It has been overwhelming success and will return again this year! Registrations start in May and run thru August.

SPORTS PROGRAMS

1998-1999 Youth Sports Calendar The youth/teen sports opportunities to develop teamwork and skill mastery. Registration dates vary by sports. Seasons are as follows:

Sports	Season
Baseball/Softball	98/99 -
December-February Soccer	98 - September-
November Cheerleading	99 - April-June
Basketball	99 - April-June

Dances, Arts & Crafts, Bowling, Beach Parties, Boating, Tennis, Gymnastics, Golf, Aerobics, Karate, and Scuba are just some of Youth/Teen activities on Okinawa.

Name: LINKS
Address: Bldg 5715
Phone: 011-81-611-745-2841
DSN Phone: 645-2841
Comments: LINKS is designed to provide lifestyle insights to spouses new to Marine Corps living. There are certain adjustments that are required when marrying a Marine. A Marine's life is extremely different from other people's lives. LINKS is here to help spouses adjust and understand what is going on with their Marine. It also gives new spouses a chance to share experience with spouses who have been with the Marine Corps for a while.

Family Centers

"Service" is our middle name! When you need assistance, the Personal Services Center is available. Your PSC staff is a combination of military and civilian personnel who will do their best to serve you in any way possible. The PSC is ready to provide and assist with information and support necessary for military personnel and their families to maintain a sound quality of life. Counseling, guidance and assistance are available as well as a variety of programs meeting the needs of the family.

Please refer to Listing for more details.

Name: Exceptional Family Member Program
Address: Bldg. 445, Camp Foster
Phone: 011-81-611-745-9237/8109
DSN Phone: 645-9237/8109
DSN FAX: 645-7229
Comments: The EFMP is defined as a bonafide dependent with one or more handicapping condition or special need requiring special medical, medically related, educational or therapeutic services. The purpose of the EFMP is to reflect the Marine Corps concern and support for its members and their families. The EFMP is designed to help the handicapped reach their fullest potential, improve the quality of life of the affected family and prevent the cost of inappropriate assignment. Numerous services are provided, such as enrollment assistance, case management, informational and referral services, briefs and special assignments.

Name: Family Advocacy
Address: Camp Foster
Phone: 011-81-611-745-2915/16/17
FAX: 001-81-611-745-3793
DSN Phone: 645-2915/16/17
DSN FAX: 645-3793
Comments: The Family Advocacy Program (FAP) is a community based program dedicated to the prevention, intervention, and treatment of domestic violence. In cooperation with local commands, the FAP works for victim safety and prevents further incidents of abuse. Services are provided to Navy and Marine Corps personnel and their families. The Marine Corps Bases Japan Family Advocacy Program functions under the direction of the Family Advocacy Office (FAPO). The Family Advocacy Program Manager (FAPM) is responsible for the daily operation of the FAP. A staff of trained counselors provide intervention and treatment services under the supervision of the FAP. Each local command has a trained Family Advocacy Officer (FAO) who serves as the command liaison to the program.

Name: Family Counseling
Address: Camp Foster
Phone: 011-81-611-745-2915/16
DSN Phone: 645-2915/16
Comments: The Family Assistance section is headed by the Counseling Supervisor staffed with three Master-level Personal and Family Counselors, a Financial Counselor, and the staff of the Joint Services Shelter. All staff are fully qualified in their respective areas of responsibility. This section provides individual, marital, family, and group counseling in a safe and confidential environment. Skills classes, personal growth workshops, and support groups are also offered at various times throughout the year. The counseling staff can also assist Commands in developing specific subject areas in helping to meet their training requirements. Please call for specific information on our current programming.

Name: Family Member Employment Assistance Program
Address: PSC, Bldg. 445, Camp Foster
Phone: 011-81-611-745-3151/52
FAX: 011-81-611-745-3930
DSN Phone: 645-3151/52
DSN FAX: 645-3930
E-Mail: mccsfineap@mcbbutler.usmc.mil
Comments: The Family Member Employment Assistance Program provides employment assistance; a resource library; listing of current openings; stateside employment assistance; career counseling; use of computers on which to complete federal employment application, resumes and accompanying letters; as well as workshops on the local job search, island job information fair, and federal employment.

Name: Financial Programs
Address: PSC, Bldg. 445, Camp Foster
Phone: 011-81-611-745-7806
FAX: 011-81-611-745-7229
DSN Phone: 645-7806
DSN FAX: 645-7229
Comments: A wide range of financial counseling services are provided: Unit Briefs and Seminars, Financial Planning, Money Management Workshop, Savings and Investments, Checkbook Management, Pre-Marital Budget, Pre-Retirement Budget, Transition Financial Planning, Debt Reduction, Credit History Review, and Family Budget.

Name: Marine Corps Family Team Building
Address: Bldg. 5715, Camp Foster
Phone: 011-81-611-745-2841/3689
DSN Phone: 645-2841/3689
Comments: Marine Corps Family Team Building (MCFTB) is designed to ensure family readiness by providing financial, training and administrative support to the Key Volunteer Network through the Key Volunteer Program (KVP) and Lifestyle Insights, Networking, Knowledge, and Skills (L.I.N.K.S.). Marines take care of their own and so do Marine families. Both of these programs demonstrate this concept. The Key Volunteer Network is comprised of spouses of active duty members of a command who volunteer and trained by MCFTB to provide ongoing family support for the command. Key Volunteers are the communication link between a command and its family members. This network helps to build a sense of community within the command. Key Volunteers provide information and referral to unit family members for problem solving at the lowest level. Every spouse of a Marine Command has a Key Volunteer. To locate your Key Volunteer contact your command or MCFTB. L.I.N.K.S. provides an initial understanding of what the Marine Corps is all about. Each session provides an orientation to Marine Corps life while developing a sense of community between the Marine Corps and its family members. L.I.N.K.S. works through spouse to spouse education through a 10 hour session spread over multiple days or evenings. Sessions are held in the North, South and Central parts of the island and spouse need to attend only one session. Okinawa L.I.N.K.S. has three teams and three locations all with one vision: To help spouses get connected and learn more about military living on Okinawa. If you would like to know more about MCFTB and these two programs, contact any of the MCFTB staff.

Name: New Parent Support Program
Address: Camp Foster
Phone: 011-81-611-745-2071/2073/75
DSN Phone: 645-2071/73/75
Comments: <p>The Marine New Parent Support Program (NPSP) is a joint effort between the Marine Corps and Children's Hospital and Health Center of San Diego, CA. It is available to Marine and Navy families attached to 18 Marine Corps bases worldwide who are expecting or who have children age 5 years and under.</p> <p>The goal of the NPSP is to enhance parents' self esteem and parenting abilities through education and support services. These services are provided by a professional staff of registered nurses and social workers who are sensitive to the unique challenges facing the U. S. Marine Corps family.</p> <p>Through a variety of programs including home visits, support groups, playmornings, and parenting classes the NPSP helps parents cope with stress, isolation, deployments, and the everyday demands of parenthood. All services are confidential and there is no cost to the family.</p> <p>For more information on these services or to register call.</p>

Name: Personal Services Center
Address: Bldg. 445, Camp Foster
Phone: 011-81-611-745-2104/2106
DSN Phone: 645-2104/06
DSN FAX: 645-7206

Name: Personal Services Center
Address: Bldg. 4425, Camp Courtney
Phone: 011-81-611-722-7332/9754
DSN Phone: 622-7332/9754

Name: Personal Services Center
Address: Bldg. 2523 Camp Hansen
Phone: 011-81-611-723-4522/4860
DSN Phone: 623-4522/4860

Name: Personal Services Center
Address: Bldg. 3327, Camp Schwab
Phone: 011-81-611-725-2622/2699
DSN Phone: 625-2622/2699

Name: Personal Services Center
Address: Bldg. 550, MCAS Futenma
Phone: 011-81-611-736-2140/43
DSN Phone: 636-2140/43

Name: Personal Services Center
Address: Bldg. 1220, Camp Kinser
Phone: 011-81-611-737-2815/1628
DSN Phone: 637-2815/1628

Name: Relocation Assistance
Address: Bldg. 445, Camp Foster
Phone: 011-81-611-745-8395/8653
FAX: 011-81-611-745-7229
DSN Phone: 645-8395/8653
DSN FAX: 645-7229
Comments: <p>The following services are provided: Pre-Departure Planning; Determining Needs and Priorities; Destination Information (Sample Welcome Aboard Packages); Sponsorship Assistance and Training; Automated Relocation Information (S.I.T.E.S.); Automated Road Atlas; Resource Library, to include videos on Marine Corps installations; Realtor Relocation Packages; Relocation Workshops; Newcomer Orientations and Cultural Adaptation Programs.</p>

Name: Retired Affairs Office
Address: Bldg . 445, Camp Foster
Phone: 011-81-611-745-3159/2106
FAX: 011-81-611-745-7229
DSN Phone: 645-3159/2106
DSN FAX: 645-7229
Comments: <p>The Retired Activities Office (RAO), is a central point for all military retirees to obtain information on issues that affect them. The RAO is designed to research questions, provide reliable answers and refer retired members and surviving spouses to appropriate service providers. It serves as a valuable line to help retirees and their family members obtain the right, benefits and privileges they are entitled to receive.</p>

Name: Transition Assistance
Address: PSC, Bldg. 445, Camp Foster
Phone: 011-81-611-745-3151/52
FAX: 011-81-611-745-3930
DSN Phone: 645-3151/52
DSN FAX: 645-3930
Comments: Transition Bulletin Board (TBB), American Job Bank, TAMP seminar, 3-Day Workshop, Resume Writing, Interview Techniques and SF-171 Application. Conducts the TAP Workshop provides details regarding labor market information, civilian work place requirements and employment opportunities, instruction in resume preparation, and job analysis techniques, job search techniques, and job interview techniques. Additionally provides information concerning Federal, State, and local programs, and programs of military and veterans service organizations, that may be of assistance to separating members and their spouses. Reservations must be made through the individual Career Planner/Counselor.

Name: Transition Assistance
Address: PSC, Bldg. 1220, Camp Kinser
Phone: 011-81-611-737-1307
FAX: 011-81-611-737-2805
DSN Phone: 637-1307
DSN FAX: 637-2805

Name: Transition Assistance
Address: PSC, Bldg. 2523, Camp Hansen
Phone: 011-81-611-723-7001
FAX: 011-81-611-723-7727
DSN Phone: 623-7001
DSN FAX: 623-7727

Name: Transition Assistance
Address: PSC, Bldg. 4425, Camp Courtney
Phone: 011-81-611-722-7691-7878
DSN Phone: 622-7691/7878

Name: Transition Assistance
Address: PSC, Bldg. 3327, Camp Schwab
Phone: 011-81-611-725-2646
FAX: 011-81-611-725-2645
DSN Phone: 625-2622/2699
DSN FAX: 625-2645

Name: Transition Assistance
Address: PSC, Bldg. 550, MCAS Futenma
Phone: 011-81-611-726-2147
FAX: 011-81-611-736-2100
DSN Phone: 636-2147
DSN FAX: 636-2100

Information and Referral

Please refer to the Family Center Listing for more details.

Financial Assistance Programs

A wide range of financial programs is provided: Unit Briefs and Seminars, Personal Financial Management, Savings and Investments, Checkbook Management, Pre-Marital Budget, Pre-Retirement Budget, Transition Assistance Management Program and Family Budget.

Please refer to the Family Center Listing for more details.

Emergency Assistance

Navy Marine Corps Relief Society can provide financial emergency assistance based upon need, through either loans or, when there is a particular hardship, grants. Categories of financial assistance include: Basic living expenses (food, shelter, utilities), medical not covered by CHAMPUS, dental not covered by DDP, funeral expenses, emergency transportation, essential car repairs, pay and allotment problems, disasters and assistance for widows, mothers and children.

The American Red Cross can also help in times of emergency. Quick communications with home about family emergencies is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, including verification of death or serious illness or immediate family, birth announcements to fathers deployed overseas, and health and welfare reports resulting from a lack of communication over a long period of time.

The American Red Cross also offers financial assistance for military personnel and their immediate families in the form of interest free loans or grants when a loan would place a greater hardship on the family. Examples of need for financial assistance are: emergency leave expenses for the service person or his/her family member; for family necessities which may result when an allotment check is not received or delayed; for personal needs of an essential and

emergency nature; and for convalescent leave expenses.

The Joint Services Shelter and the Joint Services Crisis Lines are inter-service programs sponsored by the Marine Corps, Air Force, Army, and Navy.

The Shelter is open 24 hours a day and provides nondirective counseling and immediate emotional support in a safe and comfortable atmosphere for victims of spouse abuse and their children. Unaccompanied minors may also be admitted. Active duty members, retirees, DOD civilians, and dependents are eligible to utilize these services.

The Joint Service Crisis Lines are 24 hour crisis intervention telephone services that offer nondirective counseling, emotional support, information, and referrals. These are available to individuals who are active duty, retirees, DOD civilians, and dependents and teens.

The Crisis Line also offers a 48 hour training program for interested individuals who are at least 18 years old. The training consists of 32 hours of classroom instruction on crisis intervention, resources available on the island and provision of information and referral; and 16 hours of on-the-job training.

Anyone interested in becoming a volunteer may call the Crisis Line.

Please refer to Listing for more details.

Name: Crisis Hotline
Address: Island wide
Phone: 634-HELP/4357
Comments: Telephone From off Base: 938-0992 Hours: 24 Hours

Name: Spouse Abuse Hotline
Address: Island wide
Phone: 634-3123
Comments: Hours: 24 Hours

Name: Teen Care Line
Address: Island wide
Phone: 634-CARE/2273
Comments: Hours: 24 Hours

Name: Catholic Chaplain
Address: Camp Foster
Phone: 645-7486
Comments: Hours: 0730-1630

Name: Protestant Chaplain
Address: Camp Foster
Phone: 645-7486
Comments: Hours: 0730-1630

Name: Jewish Chaplain
Address: Camp Kinser
Phone: 637-2612
Comments: Hours: 0730-1630

Name: Navy/Marine Corps Relief
Address: Bldg 5674 Camp Foster
Phone: 011-81-611-745-7808

Name: American Red Cross
Address: Bldg 5674 Camp Foster
Phone: 011-81-611-7-45-3800
Comments: 634-4611 After Duty Hours, Weekends, and Holidays

Family Advocacy

The Family Advocacy Program (FAP) is a community based program dedicated to the prevention, intervention, and treatment of domestic violence. In cooperation with local commands, the FAP works for victim safety and prevents further incidents of abuse. Services are provided to Navy and Marine Corps personnel and their families.

The Marine Corps Bases Japan Family Advocacy Program functions under the direction of the Family Advocacy Office (FAPO) through the Personal Services Branch. The Family Advocacy Program Manager (FAPM) is responsible for the daily operation of the FAP. A staff of trained counselors provide intervention and treatment services under the supervision of the FAP. Each local command has a trained Family Advocacy Officer (FAO) who serves as the command liaison to the program.

Please refer to the Family Center Listing for more details.

Single Member Services

If you are single sometimes it seems easier for families to make friends and be a part of a community than for single people. This does not have to be true for you. The key to being a part of the Personal Services Center is getting involved. Join a church or synagogue group, sign up for educational courses, recreational program, or take part in a special interest group such as a health club. Make a list of all the activities you participated in before your move: bowling, bridge club, Big Brothers/Sisters softball, etc. Add some other activities you would like to try: amateur theater, International Toastmaster/mistress, computer courses. Then find out how to find these activities through such sources as the Personal Services Center, the Recreation Center, or your units bulletin board.

When you need assistance, the Personal Services Center is available. Your PSC staff is a combination of military and civilian personnel who will do their best to serve you in any way possible. The PSC is ready to provide and assist with information and support necessary for military personnel to maintain a sound quality of life. Counseling, guidance and assistance are available as well as a variety of programs meeting the needs of military personnel.

The Personal Services Center are the central point of contact concerning marriage application procedures. The Personal Services Center provides assistance with the administrative processing of all marriage packages. This service is available for U. S. service members marrying U. S. Citizens or Foreign nationals. (In accordance with COMNAVFORJAPAN Instruction 1752.1 (series), guidance is provided to local commanders; information and the required documents are available for individuals desiring to marry on Okinawa).

This service is available at the central office at Camp Foster and at the satellite offices on a private appointment basis.

The Personal Services Center also conducts a Pre-Marital Seminar the third Tuesday of every month. This seminar is mandatory for all Navy/Marine personnel marrying on Okinawa (Ref.: PERSUPDETOKI Instruction 1752.1 dated 4/9/86 and MCO 1752.6B dated 3/6/89). All perspective spouses are encouraged to attend.

Please refer to the Family Center Listing for more details.

Name: Premarital Workshop
Address: Camp Foster, Bldg 445
Phone: 011-81-611-745-2104/2106
DSN Phone: 645-2104/2106

Name: Premarital Workshop
Address: Camp Kinser Bldg 1220
Phone: 011-81-611-737-2815/1628
DSN Phone: 637-2815/1628

Name: Premarital Workshop
Address: Camp Courtney Bldg 4425
Phone: 011-81-611-722-7332/9754
DSN Phone: 622-7332/9754

Name: Premarital Workshop
Address: Camp Hansen Bldg 2523
Phone: 011-81-611-723-4522/4860
DSN Phone: 623-4522/4860

Name: Premarital Workshop
Address: Camp Schwab Bldg 3327
Phone: 011-81-611-725-2622/2699
DSN Phone: 625-2622/2699

Name: Premarital Workshop
Address: MCAS Futenma Bldg 550
Phone: 011-81-611-736-2140/43
DSN Phone: 636-2140

Support Groups

The Personal Services Center, Consolidated Substance Abuse Counseling Center, and the Naval Hospital offer on-going support groups for specialized needs.

Please refer to Listing for more details.

Name: AL-ATeen
Address: Island wide
Phone: 011-81-611-733-4663
DSN Phone: 633-4663

Name: AL-Anon
Address: Island wide
Phone: 011-81-611-733-4663
DSN Phone: 633-4663

Name: Alcoholics Anonymous
Address: Island wide
Phone: 011-81-611-734-4357
DSN Phone: 634-4357

Name: Gamblers Anonymous
Address: Island Wide
Phone: 011-81-611-745-9247

Morale, Welfare, and Recreation

Marines Corps bases Japan prides itself on having one of the most complete Marine Corps Community Services (MCCS) Departments in the Marine Corps. A variety of exciting leisure activities are available to active duty military members and their family members, in addition to DoD civilians.

Recreational activities, both outdoors and indoors, abound on Okinawa. Regardless of the type of activity you like, whether it's the robust competition of flag football or rugby, a friendly game of bowling, or a leisurely stroll down a sun-beaten path, Okinawa can fill the need.

There's Arts and Crafts, Athletics, Auto Hobby Shop, Beaches, Bowling, Custom Shop, Education Centers, Enlisted Clubs, Entertainment, Fitness Centers/Gyms, Golf Course, Issue Room, Liberty Bus, Libraries, Lodges, Officer's Clubs, Package Stores, Photo Studio, Ranges, Restaurants, Scuba Centers, SNCO Clubs, Swimming Pools, Youth Activities, Girl and Boy Scouts, Youth Centers, and Youth Sports to just name a few.

Please refer to Listing for more details.

Name: Camping Reservation Office
Address: Kadena Air Base
Phone: 011-81-611-734-4322
DSN Phone: 634-4322

Name: MCCS Customer Service & Information
Address: Camp Foster
Phone: 011-81-611-745-2628
DSN Phone: 645-2628

Name: U S O
Address: Kadena Air Base
Phone: 011-81-611-734-0575
DSN Phone: 634-0575

Comments:

The USO welcomes you to Okinawa!

We're not just a cup of coffee anymore. The USO has been proudly serving American military families for over 50 years. The efforts of the USO began in 1941 when FDR insisted that six civilian agencies which had traditionally provided wartime support to the military, unite to create a new organization. And thus, the USO was born.

Here on Okinawa there are four full service USO Centers. The centers are comfortable and warm, enhanced by an all volunteer staff.

The following is a list of entertainment and services currently offered through your USO:

Ikebana Classes - Japanese flower arranging

Youth karate classes - 8 to 18 years old

Overnight film developing

FAX flowers to the U.S.

Massage therapy - one hour of sheer relaxation

Custom designed tours for any group

TV/VCR room

Extensive paperback book swap library

Resume writing computer with laser printer

Copy machine - only 10 cents per copy

Stop smoking & weight loss hypnotism sessions

Gifts from around orient

International and local telephones

MARS gram drop box

And.....a free cup of coffee

There's so much more offered. Stop by anytime to browse or relax. The USO is an excellent source of information regarding island events, tourist attractions, bus schedules, or just a friendly smile.

Name: U S O
Address: Camp Hansen
Phone: 011-81-611-723-5011
DSN Phone: 623-5011

Name: U S O
Address: Camp Schwab
Phone: 011-81-611-725-3852
DSN Phone: 623-5011

Name: U S O
Address: MCAS Futenma
Phone: 011-81-611-736-5202
DSN Phone: 636-5202

Chapel Services and Programs

Area Denominations

Baptist Buddhist Catholic Episcopal Jewish
Lutheran Methodist Mormon Muslim
Nazarene Pentecostal Shinto Orthodox Christian

Please refer to the Local Community Religious Activities and Listings for more details.

Name: Catholic Chaplain
Address: Camp Foster
Phone: 011-81-611-745-7486

Name: Jewish Chaplain
Address: Camp Kinser
Phone: 011-81-611-737-2612

Name: Orthodox Christian Chaplain
Address: Camp Foster
Phone: 011-81-611-745-7486

Name: Pre-marital
Address: Community Service Center, Camp Lester
Phone: 011-81-611-745-2104/2106
DSN Phone: 645-2104/06

Name: Protestant Chaplain
Address: Camp Foster
Phone: 011-81-611-745-7486

Drug and Alcohol

The Substance Abuse Counseling Center (SACC) mission is to provide assistance to individuals and their commands in the processing, disposition,

education and/or treatment of personnel with alcohol and drug abuse problems. The programs consist of screening, referrals, counseling and prevention education/outreach.

An extensive referral listing is maintained to deal with nearly any type of problem. Educational material, at the request of the command, is available through the SACC which maintains literature, films and video tapes on Alcohol, Drug, abuse and recovery.

Please refer to Listing for more details.

Name: Drug & Alcohol
Address: Camp Foster, Bldg. 5677
Phone: 011-81-611-7645-3483
Comments: Hours: 0730-1630

Name: Joint Services Family Shelter
Phone: 011-81-611-734-4357
Comments: The Shelter provides a safe and confidential place for abused spouses and their children who are actual or potential victims of domestic violence or are experiencing a family crisis. Your safety and privacy are our primary concerns.

Name: Spouse Abuse Hotline
Address: Island wide
Phone: 011-81-611-7634-3123
Comments: Hours: 24 Hours

Name: TEEN CARE
Address: Island wide
Phone: 011-81-611-734-CARE/2273
Comments: Hours: 24 Hours

Legal Assistance

The attorneys can advise active duty and dependents and prepare documents in a myriad of areas including wills, power of attorney, family law, landlord-tenant law and consumer protection law. Many legal pitfalls and everyday difficulties can be avoided by consulting with a attorney at the first hint of trouble.

Remember, if it doesn't appear quite right, it's not; if it's too good to be true, it is; and, if in doubt, see a lawyer.

Please refer to Listing for more details.

Name: Legal Assistance
Address: Camp Courtney
Phone: 011-81-611-722-9475
DSN Phone: 622-9475

Name: Legal Assistance
Address: Camp Foster
Phone: 011-81-611-745-7144
DSN Phone: 645-7144

Name: Legal Assistance
Address: Camp Hansen
Phone: 011-81-611-723-4177
DSN Phone: 623-4177

Child And Teen Services

Child and Teen Services Overview

Often children are left out of the moving process when they should be considered an important part of the moving process. Time must be set aside to understand their feeling, listen to their fears, and observe changes in their behavior.

PRE-SCHOOL. A pre-school child does not have many experiences to draw upon. They may not remember their last residence and they will be apprehensive about leaving a "safe" environment for an unknown destination. They fear losing the familiar. What will happen to their toys, their bed and their friends when they move? Often they will not have an adequate vocabulary or understanding of their own feelings to verbally express these concerns. It is important to look for other cues. Changes in behavior are good indication of stress in pre-school child. These behaviors may include bed wetting, clinging to mom, throwing temper tantrums and withdrawing. Physical symptoms such as loss of appetite, insomnia, and constipation may also occur. Try to show understanding and patience when dealing with the pre-school child. There are many ways you can help your pre-school child understand the moving process. Try to read stories about moving, simulate the move with toys and have the child pack a bag or suitcase of special toys or other items to accompany him or her during the move. It is also important to focus on things the child has done well, maintain schedules, and be affectionate to emphasize security.

THE SIX TO TEN YEAR OLD. Children in this age group adjust quickly to the move and are the easiest

to handle. For the most part they will see the move as an adventure. Their biggest concerns will be their own safety and making new friends. Suggestions for assisting the six to ten year old in the moving process are: help your child learn about the new home, don't interrupt family and social routines, do not mention negatives about the new location (this age group will pick up on them and accept them as their own feelings) and be affectionate to emphasize security. After the move, you may want to assist your child in making new friends by encouraging participation in youth athletics or scouting. Help the child meet peers by taking walks or bicycle rides through the neighborhood. Go with your child to a neighbor's house, assisting in introductions and encouraging your child to invite new friends to your home.

THE TEENAGER AND PRE-TEEN. This age group will be most upset by the move. The teenager and pre-teen are more concerned about leaving friends than being with family. Their main concern will be making new friends and fitting in. They worry about being unfamiliar with the latest popular expressions, songs, dances and styles of dress. They may show their resentment toward the move by displaying open rebellion and arguing with siblings. They may display negative emotions such as anger, apathy, boredom and depression. They may also withdraw and stay in their room, be moody and irritable, deny moving and refuse to pack. In some cases they may cut school or classes, let grades drop and have discipline problems. In extreme cases, alcohol and drug use may begin or the child may run away. The most important thing to do when dealing with teenagers and pre-teens is to keep anger in check. Other strategies include increasing responsibilities and participation in the moving process, show confidence in their judgment, ask for their opinions, show appreciation for assistance and emphasize process not product. You might suggest that they keep in touch with friends by mail or phone calls on special occasions and have them complete a change of address card. Contact local schools for information on sports or other programs in which your child may have an interest. Seek help immediately if there is any talk of suicide, any drug use, child runs away or isolation becomes extreme.

AFTER THE MOVE. After the move make the new home as comfortable as possible on the first night for all children. You may want to consider a celebration such as dining out, bowling, pizza and a movie or other family activity. Consider unpacking and setting up their room first or allowing them to unpack and arrange their own room. Meet all of your children's new friends and encourage them to visit your home.

Be appreciative for any assistance and for good behavior. Explore the neighborhood together and try to visit the school prior to the first day of class. If school is already in session, drive by the school as students are arriving or as they are leaving. This will give your child a chance to see how other students dress and talk.

BE PREPARED. A good way to start preparing yourself and your family for the moving experience is to visit your Family/Personal Services Center. Information about the new location may be obtained by checking out a Welcome Aboard Package or video. Workshops to assist in the moving ordeal include Smooth Move and Children's Relocation. Individual counseling is available to assist in areas of job search, stress and anger management and family conflicts. Videos and books on a variety of issues are also available. Get a head start on the moving process by getting informed.

Child Development Program (CDP)

Mission: CDP provides quality child development options for military and DoD civilian personnel. It is the intent to provide world class child care services to support operational readiness and mission accomplishment, and to enhance quality of life. Full Day, Part Day, and hourly center based programs are complimented by extended and weekend care in family child care provider's homes.

Marine Youth Activities

Marine Youth Activities is an exciting and ever-growing part of our community. We have three youth centers and all types of sporting activities offered.

MISSION

Our mission is to uplift the spirit of the youth in our communities, and to help develop them to their fullest potential.

We are always "adding on" to each of our centers to make them more fun. We have a miniature golf course, outdoor skating rink, tennis court, volleyball court and our newest addition - iron mountain playground.

MEMBERSHIP

We are open year-round to youth ages 5-17 (*18 accepted if enrolled in high School). To become a

member simply sign-up at any Marine Youth/Teen Center. The cost is minimal.

SPORTS

MYA offers a variety of sports programs for youth ages 5-18. Included are: Soccer, basketball, cheerleading, tee ball, baseball and girls softball. We also offer special sporting events and sports clinics throughout the year.

MYA is an official chapter of the National Sports Coaches Association (NYSCA) and requires certification of each of our coaches. Our staff of sports professionals are NYSCA Certified Clinicians, and provides NYSCA instruction to every coach to ensure a high standard of instruction and that good sportsmanship is available to all of our participants.

CLASSES

While instructors are available, we offer as many classes as possible.

Popular classes are:

Martial Arts: Judo, Tae Kwan Do, Isshin-Ryu, Shorin-Ryu Karate.

Gymnastics: (Tiny Tumblers-advanced:) Ages 3-18.

Dance: (Ballet, Tap & Jazz mix) Ages 2-18. *check individual centers for current schedule and availability.

Any new instructors must be 18 years or older.

SUMMER CAMP

Each summer we offer a weekly day camp program to children 5-10 years of age, as well as a Sports Camp. We contract students from credited universities in the U.S. who are specially trained to run this program. It has been an overwhelming success and will return again this year! Registrations start in May and run thru August.

SPORTS PROGRAMS

Youth Sports Calendar

The youth/teen sports opportunities to develop teamwork and skill mastery. Registration dates vary by sports. Seasons are as follows:

Sports Season Baseball/Softball -
December-February Soccer - September- November
Cheerleading - April-June Basketball - April-June

Dances, Arts & Crafts, Bowling, Beach Parties,
Boating, Tennis, Gymnastics, Golf, Aerobics, Karate,
and Scuba are just some of Youth/Teen activities on
Okinawa.

Please refer to Listing for more details.

Name: Child Development Center
Address: Camp Foster Bldg 5710
Phone: 011-81-611-745-2174

Name: Teen Center
Address: Courtney MYA, Bldg. 4446
Phone: 011-81-611-722-9702
DSN Phone: 622-9702

Name: Teen Center
Address: Kinser MYA, Bldg. 1316
Phone: 011-81-611-737-1755
DSN Phone: 637-1755

Name: Youth Center
Address: Foster MYA, Bldg. 1620
Phone: 011-81-611-745-7301
DSN Phone: 645-7301

Name: Youth Center
Address: Kinser MYA, Bldg. 1091
Phone: 011-81-611-737-3760
DSN FAX: 637-3760

Name: Youth Center
Address: McTureous MYA, Bldg 5206
Phone: 011-81-611-7229051
DSN Phone: 622-9051

Name: Youth Sports
Address: Camp Foster, Bldg. 5900
Phone: 011-81-611-745-3533
DSN Phone: 645-3533

New Parent Program

The Marine New Parent Support Program (NPSP) is a joint effort between the Marine Corps and Children's Hospital and Health Center of San Diego, CA. It is available to Marine and Navy families attached to 18 Marine Corps bases worldwide who

are expecting or who have children age 5 years and under.

The goal of the NPSP is to enhance parents' self esteem and parenting abilities through education and support services. These services are provided by a professional staff of registered nurses and social workers who are sensitive to the unique challenges facing the U. S. Marine Corps family.

Though a variety of programs including home visits, support groups, playmornings, and parenting classes the NPSP helps parents cope with stress, isolation, deployments, and the everyday demands of parenthood. All services are confidential and there is no cost to the family.

Please refer to Listing for more details.

Name: New Parent Program
Address: Camp Foster
Phone: 011-81-611-745-2071/2073
DSN Phone: 645-2071/2073

Child Care Programs - on Installation

Early childhood programs are offered for children ages 6 weeks through 12 years in child development centers and school age programs located on or near at Camps Foster, Kinser, and Courtney. A Resource and Referral (R&R) office at each center provides information regarding child development programs, including Family Child Care in the homes. All options will be reviewed with parents. R&R maintains waiting lists for program operation. Supplemental Services provides additional child care options to expand availability. A team of early childhood specialists administers the child development programs.

Full day, part day preschool, before and after school, and hourly child care options are available to meet the needs of patrons desiring center based care. All programs are developmental and address the social, emotional, cognitive and physical development of children.

Center Programs	RATE (\$)	Full Day
\$51.00 - 97.00 /week		(based on family income)
Part Day - Preschool	\$34.00 - 162.00 /month	(2 day, 3 day & 5 day programs)
Part Day - School Age	\$36.00 - 68.00 /week	(Before and After School)
Hourly Care	\$ 3.00 / hour	Special Needs Care
Case by case -		

Center based rates for full day care are based on total combined family income. When registering, please bring a copy of both parents leave and earning statements, child shot records, and health assessments, long term and short term family care plans (only for dual or single military), and copy of orders.

Special needs children are mainstreamed with all age groups. Verification of EFMP enrollment is required.

Age Groups	YES/NO	Infant
Yes age 6 wks to 12 mo	Pretoddlers	YES
age 12 mo to 24 mo	Toddler	Yes
age 24 mo to 36 mo	Pre-School	Yes
age 36 mo to 5 yrs	School-Age	Yes
		age 6 yrs to 12 yrs

Family Child Care (FCC)

FCC is provided in all Marine Corps Housing areas including: Lester, Sada, Plaza, Foster, Kishaba, Chatan, Kinser, Futenma, Courtney and McTureous. Family members provide child development programs in government quarters while receiving on going training, licensing and monitoring. Their programs are developmental and serve small groups of children in a home environment. The small groups offer extended care, early morning PT care, and other child care options.

Supplemental Services (SPS)

SPS expands child care options to include Co-Ops, short term alternative child care, volunteer child care in unit settings, baby-sitter training and service, volunteer service, parent participation, and private operation programs. Before and After School program are available in elementary schools at Camps Foster, Kinser, and McTureous.

Please refer to Listing for more details.

Name: Child Development Center
Address: Camp Courtney Bldg 4456/4447
Phone: 011-81-611-722-7751
DSN Phone: 622-7751

Name: Child Development Center
Address: Camp Foster Bldg 499
Phone: 011-81-611-745-2549
DSN Phone: 645-2549

Name: Child Development Center
Address: Camp Kinser Bldg 866 / 864
Phone: 011-81-611-737-2296
DSN Phone: 637-2296

Name: Children & Youth Program Administration
Address: Camp Foster Bldg 5710
Phone: 011-81-611-745-2110
DSN Phone: 645-2174

Name: Family Child Care
Address: Camp Foster Bldg 5710
Phone: 011-81-611-745-2176
DSN Phone: 645-2176
Comments: Number of Homes : 120 Child Spaces: 480 Range of Rates (Weekly): \$65.00 - \$120.00 per week \$2.50 - \$3.00 hourly

Child Care Programs - Community

Resource and Referral - Off base services in the local community are unique. The resource and referral staff at each CDC can describe off base options.

Things To Do - Clubs and Social

The Youth/Teen Centers provide an environment which encourages preteens/teens 5-18 years of age to socialize, accept responsibility and challenge and to strive to become well rounded young adults. The center sponsors monthly dances, off-base field trips, a Teen Advisory Board & sporting events. A current monthly calendar of all activities is available at the center.

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Phone: 011-81-611-722-9702
DSN Phone: 622-9702

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Phone: 011-81-611-737-3760
DSN Phone: 637-3760

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Phone: 011-81-611-745-7162
DSN Phone: 645-7162

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Phone: 011-81-611-737-3760
DSN Phone: 637-3760

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Address: Camp McTurous Bldg. 5206
Phone: 011-81-611-722-9049
DSN Phone: 622-9049

Name: Youth Sports Branch
Address: Camp Foster
Phone: 011-81-611-745-3533
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Things To Do - Recreation and Sports

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December-February Soccer - September- November
Cheerleading - April-June Basketball - April-June

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DSN Phone: 622-9049

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Address: Camp Foster Bldg. 1620
Phone: 011-81-611-745-7162
DSN Phone: 645-7162

Name: Youth Sports Branch Semper Fit
Address: Camp Foster
Phone: 011-81-611-745-3533
DSN Phone: 645-3533

Schools

There are twelve DoD Dependent School on Okinawa: Eight Elementary, Two Jr High/Middle, and Two High schools

All 12 DoD Dependent Schools on Okinawa are accredited by North Central Association of Colleges and Schools. Together they provide an education for about 10,000 students, and boast some of the best schools in the entire DoDDS program. Over the years, the DoDDS students' Scholastic Aptitude Test scores for both verbal and mathematical skills have been higher than the national average.

Please refer to the Education, Public and DoDDS Schools and Listing for more details.

Name: Amelia Earhart Intermediate
Address: Bldg 9481/82 Kadena Air Base
Phone: 011-81-611-734-1329
FAX: 011-81-611-734-7207
DSN FAX: 634-1329

Name: Bechtel Elementary
Address: Bldg 5000 Camp McTureous
Phone: 011-81-611-722-7504
FAX: 011-81-098-972-4744
DSN Phone: 622-7504

Name: Bob Hope Primary
Address: Bldg 9480 Kadena Air Base
Phone: 011-81-611-734-0093
DSN Phone: 634-0093

Name: DoD Dependent Schools, Okinawa District
Address: Bldg 6800 Kadena Air Base
Phone: 011-81-611-734-1204
DSN Phone: 634-1204

Name: East-West Montessori School
Address: Route 23. Turn left outside Kadena Air Base Gate 2
Phone: 011-81-098-939-5333
Comments: Tuition 35,000 yen/mo or \$ equivalent plus registration and supply fees. Transportation is available at 10,000 yen round trip or 7,000 one way. Programs of special interest include preschool, K, grades 1-2 only. Before and after school care available between 0600-1800, Mon-Fri for an additional 15,000 yen.

Name: Edward C. Killin Elementary
Address: Bldg 371 Camp Foster
Phone: 011-81-611-745-7760
DSN Phone: 645-7760

Name: Kadena Elementary
Address: Bldg 2415 Kadena Air Base
Phone: 011-81-611-734-1550
DSN Phone: 634-1550

Name: Kadena High School
Address: Bldg 9490 Kadena Air Base
Phone: 011-81-611-734-1712
DSN Phone: 634-1712

Name: Kadena Middle
Address: Bldg 9397 Kadena Air Base
Phone: 011-81-611-734-0217
DSN Phone: 634-0217

Name: Kinser Elementary
Address: Bldg 1040 Camp Kinser
Phone: 011-81-611-737-3008
DSN Phone: 637-3008

Name: Kubasaki High School
Address: Bldg 1408 Camp Foster
Phone: 011-81-611-745-4876
DSN Phone: 645-4876

Name: Lester Middle
Address: Bldg 6371 Camp Lester
Phone: 011-81-611-745-7787
DSN Phone: 645-7787

Name: Maranatha Baptist Academy
Address: Hwy 58, south of Kadena Air Base
Phone: 011-81-098-897-5235
Comments: Consult the academy concerning tuition costs. Transportation is available. Programs of special interest include grades K4-12. Parents MUST be members of the Maranatha Baptist Church.

Name: Okinawa Christian Home Educators Association (OCHEA)
Address: PSC 80 Box 13126
City: APO, AP 96368--3126
Phone: 011-81-611-733-9209
Comments: OCHEA consists of a group of about 50 families who are interested in or currently home schooling. As the name infers, OCHEA is a Christian based support group, with membership open to anyone who is interested in or presently home schooling. Encouragement, help and services are offered to all, regardless of religious preference.

Name: Okinawa Christian School
Address: Off Hwy 58, South of Kadena Air Base
Phone: 011-81-098-958-3000
Comments: Tuition \$185/mo for Kindergarten and 36,000 yen/mo for grades 1-12. Transportation is available depending on housing zone. Programs include K-12.

Name: Stearley Heights Elementary
Address: Bldg 2261 Kadena Air Base
Phone: 011-81-611-734-4523
DSN Phone: 634-4523

Name: Zukeran Elementary
Address: Bldg 22 Camp Foster
Phone: 011-81-611-745-2576
DSN Phone: 645-2576

School Age Care

School age care for Kindergartners through 12 years of age is offered at Camp Foster, Kinser, and Courtney. R&R maintains waiting lists for program operations and information on patron options. The school age programs are administered by a team of early childhood specialists.

Full day, part day preschool, before and after school, and hourly child care options are available to meet the needs of patrons desiring center based care. All

programs are developmental and address the social, emotional, cognitive and physical development of children.

Center Programs YES/NO RATE (\$) Full Day
 Yes \$48.00 - 90.00 /week
 (based on family income) Part Day - Preschool
 Yes \$33.00 - 156.00 /month
 (2 day, 3 day & 5 day programs) Part Day - School
 Age Yes \$34.00 - 65.00 /week
 (Before and After School) Hourly Care Yes
 \$ 3.00 / hour Special Needs Care YES Case by
 case -

Mainstreamed

Age Groups YES/NO

Pre-School Yes School-Age
 Yes

Family Child Care (FCC)

FCC is provided in all Marine Corps Housing areas to include: Lester, Plaza, Foster, Kishaba, Chatan, Kinser, Futenma, Courtney and McTureous. Family members who desire to provide child development programs in government quarters receive training, licensing and monitoring. Their programs are developmental and serve small groups of children in a home environment. The small groups offer extended care.

Supplemental Services (SPS)

SPS expands child care options to include Co-Ops, short term alternative child care, volunteer child care in unit settings, baby-sitter training and service, volunteer service, parent participation, and private operation programs. Contract before and after school on site care at elementary schools is available. Please refer to Child Care Programs - on installation and Listing for more details.

Name: Child Development Center
Address: Camp Foster Bldg 5710
Phone: 011-81-611-745-2174
DSN Phone: 645-2174
Comments: Resource and Referral child care information call 645-2110

Religious Programs

Please refer to the Local Community, Religious Activities for more details.

Special Events

Watch for details in the issue of MCCS Okinawa Living magazine for monthly Special Events.

Please refer to Listing for more details.

Name: MCCS MARKETING
Address: CAMP FOSTER
Phone: 011-81-611-745-2068
DSN Phone: 645-2068

Sponsorship and Support

The Personal Services Center, Relocation Assistance Program is work with MCCS and DoDD School to find Youth and Teens sponsor.

Please refer to Listing for more details.

Name: Youth and Teen Sponsorship and Support
Address: MCB, Camp Smedley D. Butler Unit 35026
City: FPO, AP 96373--5026
Phone: 011-81-611-745-2104/7805
FAX: 011-81-611-745-7229

Youth Employment

Employment opportunities for Youth family members accompany service members are extremely limited on Okinawa. Generally, the kinds of jobs available on base fall into two categories.

AAFES positions usually focus around AAFES-sponsored activities, to include cashiers or department store clerks, for example.

Non-appropriated fun positions usually lean more toward Morale, Welfare and Recreation Services-supported jobs, such as recreation assistants, child care providers, waiters and waitresses, cooks and managers.

Employment opportunities off base is extremely limited with most positions requiring bilingual ability.

Youth Centers

The Youth/Teen centers offer an exciting year round activities for all ages. Stop in and check out the fun.

Please refer to Listing and THINGS TO DO - CLUBS AND SOCIAL for more details.

Community Youth Program - Off base services not available.

Name: Youth Center
Address: Camp McTureous Bldg 5206
Phone: 011-81-611-722-9051
DSN Phone: 622-9051

Name: Youth Center
Address: Camp Foster Bldg. 1620
Phone: 011-81-611-745-7301
DSN Phone: 6457-301

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Phone: 011-81-611-737-3760
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For Teens Only

Marine Corps Community Services (MCCS) has done a wonderful job with making being in Okinawa more enjoyable for Teens.

Marine Teens Activities is an exciting and ever-growing part of our community. We have three youth/teens centers and all types of sporting activities offered.

MISSION

Our mission is to uplift the spirit of the youth/teens in our communities, and to help develop them to their fullest potential.

We are always "adding on" to each of our centers to make them more fun. We have a miniature golf course, outdoor skating rink, tennis court, volleyball court and our newest addition - iron mountain playground.

MEMBERSHIP

We are open year-round to youth ages 5-17 (*18 accepted if enrolled in high School). To become a member simply sign-up at any Marine Youth/Teen Center. The cost is minimal.

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Survival Tips For First Termers

Survival Tips for First Termers Overview

Now that you have received orders to Okinawa, you probably have many questions concerning things you will need to know prior to and after your arrival.

Please refer to the Related Subject and Must Know Items for more details.

Before You Move

Departure preparations!

As soon as you receive your orders, visit your Personal Services Center Relocation Counselor. They have an extensive array of services and resources available for you including a SITES (Standard Installation Topic Exchange Service) booklet on your new duty station, information and classes on planning a move, Welcome Aboard Packages, videos of your new area, overseas orientations, lending closets, etc.

Contact the Household Goods Office for an appointment with a counselor to schedule your household goods move. During your counseling session your counselor will provide a great deal of valuable information. Pay attention to details, take notes, ask questions and follow directions. Failure to adhere to guidelines can be costly in time and money.

Notify your landlord, rental agent or Housing Office of your Permanent Change of Station (PCS) orders and anticipated date of departure. If there is a military clause in your lease, you must give this notification in writing.

Request a sponsor at your new duty station. This person can be your vital link to your new home. Your sponsor can send you specific information on your new location and assist you when you arrive.

Begin a calendar for your move. Include items to remember - change of address cards, school records

for your children, travel arrangements for your pets, etc.

Notify your friends, relatives, etc. of your upcoming move.

Start budgeting for the move. Contact your Finance Office to discuss your options regarding advance pay and travel funds. Even with your entitlements, special pay, allotments, etc., moving can be expensive. In addition, families facing the loss of one income during the relocation will feel additional financial impact.

This is by no means everything you'll have to remember! Check with your Relocation Counselor at your Personal Services Center. They can provide you with complete checklists and many helpful publications to assist you with remembering all the details!

IMMUNIZATIONS

Be particularly sure you and your family are properly immunized, and have the paperwork to prove it. This is especially important for your children, since they will need their immunization records to enroll in any of the schools on base here.

IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS

Besides passports and visas, other important documents you will probably need for your transition to Okinawa include:

a. Immunization Records b. Naturalization Paperwork c. Current Drivers' Licenses or Permits
d. Marriage Licenses or Divorce Decrees e. All Educational Documentation f. Deeds and Titles to all real estate or other property g. Shipping and storage documents for your household goods h. Insurance Policies i. State and Federal Income Tax Returns j. Adoption Papers k. Addresses of financial institutions you do business with l. Wills and Powers of Attorney m. Civilian & Military Medical/Dental Records o. Area Clearance p. Original Birth Certificates q. Military Orders and Dependent Entry Approval r. I.D. and Social Security Cards s. Resume/Previous Employment Records t. Pet Health/Rabies Vaccination Records

PASSPORTS AND VISAS

As a military member, you are not required to carry a passport for travel into Okinawa, but you may wish to purchase one at your own expense for leave travel.

Your family members, however, must have a valid passport. Passports issued to parents that include their children may pose a problem if an emergency or medical evacuation arises. It would be wise to get each child a separate passport or visa.

When you receive notification of your assignment to Okinawa, and your area clearance for your dependents, you should report to your administrative section and obtain a dependents' passport application and photo request. When traveling by commercial flights, you can use a tourist passport and a visa is not required. These requirements are subject to change, so check with your admin office.

If you plan on visiting other countries such as Korea, China, Thailand, ect be sure you have the proper re-entry visa stamped in your passport. This visa is obtainable at Bldg 1, Adjutant's office.

Please refer to the Must Know Items for more details.

After You Arrive

Contact your Relocation Counselor! They have all the information you'll need once you arrive at your new duty station, from housing availability, how to register your children in the local schools, to setting your spouse up with an appointment with the Spouse Employment Specialist at the Personal Services Center!

Contact the housing office BEFORE making any arrangements for civilian housing. Rental/lease agreements are extremely important and are sometimes complicated. If you haven't already done so, now is the time to put your name on the waiting list for base housing.

Notify the Personal Property Office of your new address and to check on the status of your household goods. Have they arrived? Are they in storage? How much storage time am I entitled to? How do I file a claim if there is damage? All important questions to ask now that you've arrived!

Once you've found the perfect home and your worldly possessions have arrived, the job of getting acquainted with your new neighborhood begins.

Contact utility companies to make arrangements for connections.

On moving in day, if you have small children, you might want to make arrangements for child care. Older children might want to help by checking off

boxes as they come in or unpacking the special box of their belongings.

Be at your home before the movers arrive. Have an idea of where you want things placed - the movers will only put your couch in one place.

Check your belongings carefully and make sure to note on the inventory any damaged or missing items so you can file a claim at the Personal Property Office.

So many things to remember! You will find that services and procedures vary from base to base. When getting acquainted with your new base be sure to find out:

- Speed limits - Location of medical facility and procedures for emergency and walk-in care - Check cashing limits, procedures and hours of operation of the exchange and commissary - order new checks with your new address

Most importantly, remember help is just a phone call away. When in doubt - ask. Call your Relocation Counselor any time. If they don't know the answer, they will find out.

Please refer to the Must Know Items for more details.

Reporting Procedures

Arrival Through Kadena Air Base:

Upon your arrival to Okinawa, all single/unaccompanied personnel E-5 and below will be deplaned directly into a bus. The bus will take you to the Joint Reception Center (JRC), where you will complete Customs and Immigrations. You will also be billeted there for the evening. The next day, you will attend orientation courses. At the completion of the orientation, you will be delivered to your command and complete the remainder of your checking in over the next ten days.

All single/unaccompanied personnel E-6 and above PLUS all accompanied personnel will clear Customs and Immigrations on Kadena Air Base. Your sponsor or command will pick you up there and complete the remainder of your checking in over the next ten days.

Arrival Through Naha Commercial Air Port

If you arrive through Naha International Airport or Naha Domestic Airport, as soon as you exit the baggage area, clear Customs and Immigrations if

necessary, go outside the terminal and look for a white military bus. In the event the bus cannot be found, do one of the following: If you are at the International Airport, look back at the double doors near customs. There is a red sign to the left saying "Welcome to Okinawa U.S. Military Phone". Follow its' directions and you will be stress free. If you arrived via the domestic airport, ask for assistance at the information desk on the use of the pay phone. Call 892-5111, when you hear the base's dial tone, dial 645-2604/7644/7218. Any one of those three numbers are active 24 hours a day. A driver will be dispatched immediately.

Your command will be notified of your arrival and assistance rendered at that time.

Please refer to Listing for more details.

Name: Joint Reception Center (JRC)
Address: Camp Foster
Phone: 011-81-611-745-7728
DSN Phone: 645-7728

Travel Planning

The physical process of moving from one location to another can be a semi-holiday or a chaotic series of gas station stops. As you plan your trip, try to limit your daily journey to distances your family can tolerate. It could save you and your family some uncomfortable, restless miles. Confirm your travel reservations before you leave. If you are traveling with pets, be sure that the hotels you've chosen accept pets on the premises. If they don't, you need to make kennel arrangements with each hotel in advance.

Check with your Relocation Counselor at your Personal Services Center. Many have AUTOMAP programs that will help you plan your numbers and locations to make your overnight stays more affordable.

When you're on the road, remember to keep track of mileage and all expenses. Many expenses are tax deductible if you file on a "long" tax form. Keep all receipts. If you don't need them later you can disregard them.

Let each day flow with the daily plan.

Infants have few concerns outside their immediate environment. They take the "cues" from you: are you angry and frustrated, or relaxed and content?

Young children do best when kept on the same eating and sleeping routine. Introduce new sights and sounds with patience.

Elementary school children may be losing their first friends.

Allow for expression of grief in daily decisions.

Hints for traveling with kids:

Young children have a natural wariness of the unknown. Including them in the planning can help allay fears.

Stick to your child's usual bedtime and mealtimes, and read his or her favorite story. Unpack the minute you arrive so everyone feels at home.

Balance your day, making plenty of time for a romp in the park or other relaxing activities. Even when having fun, kids have a limited attention span.

***Packing Pointers:** Take one small bag per person. Let each child take only one special toy--or you'll find yourself carrying kid's possessions around. Don't forget a first aid kit, with disinfectant, bandaids, tylenol, etc. Tuck in a nylon folding suitcase--great for lugging home your souvenirs or dirty laundry.

Call ahead to confirm hotel services for children such as cribs and cots.

Please refer to the Reporting Procedures and Must Know Items for more details.

Vehicle Ownership

AUTOMOBILES: The requirements of vehicle ownership and operation on Okinawa are substantially different from what you may be accustomed to. Shipping any U.S. made vehicle to Japan is discouraged. The current Japanese embargo law prohibits any U.S. made vehicle, 1976 or newer, from entering the country.

A warning to car owners - the salty air climate on Okinawa is extremely corrosive to metal. Therefore, rust can become a big problem. Proper care and maintenance can prevent some rust problems.

There are quite a few expenses involved with owning a vehicle on Okinawa. First, there is the purchase of the vehicle. The prices of used cars on the island are much lower than you would expect to pay in the U.S.,

with a good car averaging between \$1,500 and \$4,000, depending on the make and year of the car. You don't see too many military people driving new cars, because the used cars are so dependable and inexpensive. New cars on the island are as expensive, if not more expensive, than in the U.S.

The real financial crunch comes when the inspections are due. Military members must have their vehicles undergo a Japanese inspection every two years. The Japanese inspection and the repairs made will cost an average of \$300 to \$500. Additional costs include two types of insurance (American and Japanese) which average about \$250-300 per year and an annual road tax. The road tax ranges from \$30 for small cars to \$100 for larger ones.

Currently, unleaded fuel is offered at the service stations on base for \$1.20 per gallon for self service and a few cents more for full service. Gasoline purchased off base costs about three times that much.

GETTING AROUND: While many opt for private vehicles, they're not necessarily the best form of transportation to use during your tour here. Even if you do already have your mind set, you should know something about the public transportation options you can use, such as shuttle services, on-base and off-base taxis and island wide buses.

SHUTTLE BUS: An inter-camp shuttle service picks up and drops off people between the different camps on the island, according to a set schedule. It is much like a city bus system, except it is free. This shuttle, which runs 5 a.m. to 8 p.m., provides transportation as far north as Camp Schwab, or as far south as Camp Kinser. If a particular ride is nearing capacity, those wearing a uniform are given priority. On weekends, a liberty bus is available.

PUBLIC BUSES: Sometimes shuttle transportation just isn't flexible enough to meet your personal transportation needs. If that's the case, Okinawa's vast public bus network is an excellent option worth considering. It won't cost you any insurance or other fees, except for the very reasonable fare.

TAXIS: If you don't want to wait for a bus ride home, or you're not interested in driving your own vehicle, taxis are another source of reliable public transportation. Although significantly more expensive than a bus ride, one advantage taxis have over buses, is that most will accept Japanese and American currency. They usually carry a currency exchange rate chart with them, so it's not necessary to

know Japanese, and you can always look at the chart yourself if you want to confirm the fare charge.

Housing and Billeting

For more information on this subject:
<http://www.dtic.mil/perdiem>

Military Family Housing is administered by the Air Force (AFR 90-1). A member's duty location determines the housing area they can reside in (North, Central, or South). All personnel must report to the housing office for application upon arrival to Okinawa.

Navy and Marine Corps personnel are required to report to the Housing Referral Office at their new duty station upon arriving and before buying or leasing a home or apartment. The Housing Referral Office receives applications and maintains the waiting list for base housing. If you are applying for base housing, send an advanced housing application to HRO with a copy of your Page 2 and a copy of your orders. You will be placed on a waiting list based on your departure date from Conus.

The Housing Referral Office can assist you in locating off base housing and will provide information on the local community. The HRO maintains a computer based listing of local housing - costs, deposit.

If no base housing is available on-base, or if you choose to live in the civilian community, you and your family are entitled to receive Overseas Housing Allowance (OHA) to help you pay for housing.

Make sure that if a lease is required, you have a "military clause" which will allow you to end the lease early without financial penalties.

However, not all military clauses will protect you, especially if you are waiting for on-base housing. Be sure to check with Legal or Housing Referral Office **BEFORE** you sign a lease for housing in town. It could save you lots of time and money in the long run!!!

In addition to the military clause, also make sure that your lease or rental agreement states clearly who pays for what utilities and what repairs. Then, if you decide that the agreement is satisfactory, walk through the apartment or house with the landlord, and make a list of any existing damage to the property. Have the landlord sign the list, and make a copy of it

to keep with your copy of the lease. Must be inspected by the housing office to rate allowances.

Finally, pay your rent on time, and leave the property in as good condition as you found it to create goodwill for future service member tenants.

PETS

Be advised that pets (other than aquatic animals and caged small birds) can delay, and in some cases, impede assignment to on-base quarters. The no pet policy is in effect for mid- and high-rise tower apartments. You cannot remain on Temporary Lodging Allowance (TLA) because of nonacceptance of quarters due to pet ownership.

The 8,140 military family housing units, spread over 19 different areas island wide, are administered by the Air Force. The majority of on-base units here are quadraplexes, although there are a number of duplexes, single-family homes and high-rise apartments as well. Depending on the time of year, with summer housing requests being the largest, command-sponsored families can expect about a 4- to 12-month wait before moving on base. Current off-base housing is considered to be below CONUS standards. However, newly constructed units are now geared toward the western style of architecture and with amenities such as patio, smoke detector, air conditioners for every room, microwave, washer and dryer. Rent and utilities are expensive. Initial cost to set up housekeeping range from \$2,000 to \$4,500 which include: rent for 1 BR - \$526 to \$829; 2 Br - \$614 to \$1,580; 3 Br - \$950 to \$1,895; and 4 Br - \$1,263 to \$2,700. Rental deposit normally equals one month's rent; and agent's fee will from \$208 to \$510, effective 1 Feb 95. (The dollar computations are based on 115 Yen to \$1.00.)

The good news is, that you will receive more compensation in the form of Temporary Lodging Allowance (TLA), Move In Housing Allowance (MIHA), Overseas Housing Allowance (OHA) and Cost of Living Allowance (COLA). TLA is money you receive to defray the cost of temporary lodging. The amount is determined by your family size and whether or not you have access to cooking facilities. TLA is normally limited to 30 days, however under extraordinary circumstances can be extended. Keep in mind that this is a reimbursement system, therefore, you must have money available up front. Government Travel Charge Cards are authorized for use to pay for lodging costs. On-base facilities will accept the card. MIHA is a onetime payment made to a service member with no repayment required and is

designed to help offset the initial move in costs associated with occupancy of economy quarters. MIHA is currently equal to \$452.00 and is a non-repayable allowance designed to offset the high move-in cost. OHA is payable to servicemembers that reside out in town and not in government quarters. The ceiling rate is designed to cover 100% of the expenses for 80% of the servicemembers. Finally, COLA goes a long way toward defraying the expense of goods and services usually purchased off-base. Cola is based on the number of dependents a service member has, their PEBD (Pay Entry Base Date) and grade. Station allowances can change as often as every 15 days due to changes in foreign currency.

On base Temporary Lodging Facilities are normally limited to thirty days maximum. For a family of four, the base facilities will cost approximately \$70.00 per day (lodging only). To obtain directions to any of these facilities from your port of entry please call the facility below.

There are also many off-base temporary facilities. These can range from \$30 to \$250 per day.

Please refer to Listing for more details.

Name: BILLETING OFFICE
Address: Camp Foster
Phone: 011-81-611-745-2191
DSN Phone: 645-2191

Name: Courtney Lodge (TEMPORARY LODGING FACILITIES)
Address: Camp Courtney
Phone: 011-81-611-722-9578
DSN Phone: 622-9578
Comments: No Pets

Name: Hansen Lodge (TEMPORARY LODGING FACILITIES)
Address: Camp Hansen
Phone: 011-81-611-723-4511
DSN Phone: 623-4511
Comments: No Pets

Name: Housing
Address: Kadena Air Base
Phone: 011-81-611-734-0114
DSN Phone: 634-0114

Name: Kuwae Lodge (TEMPORARY LODGING FACILITIES)
Address: Camp Lester
Phone: 011-81-611-745-9102/9201
DSN Phone: 645-9102/9201
Comments: NO Pets

Money Matters

On Okinawa, the Yen is the national monetary unit. As this information was being compiled, one dollar was worth about 100 to 120 yen. The rate has been changing so often that this figure could change drastically in either direction before or after you arrive.

With the weakening of the dollar, prices off-base have become increasingly higher. To eat in a first class restaurant off-base will cost an average of \$60 for two people. Fortunately, there are eateries off-base that still give a favorable yen rate, keeping prices affordable. MCCS also has a good selection of base restaurants to choose from at U.S. prices.

Major units of Japanese currency are 1 yen, 5 yen, 10 yen, 50 yen, 100 yen and 500 yen coins. The bills are in denominations of 1,000, 5,000 and 10,000. It is advisable that you purchase a small wallet to keep some Japanese currency available at all times.

Don't let the strong yen scare you from venturing off-base. Military members stationed in Japan receive a

cost of living allowance (COLA) that helps make up for the falling dollar. Of course, you can always buy American products on-base at American prices.

Most Okinawa businesses near a base will take U.S. dollars, but at their own rate of exchange. It is recommended that you ask what that rate is before making a purchase. It would be wiser to buy yen at one of the Nations Banks or at the clubs where the rates are more favorable. Bank of the Ryukyus offers the best exchange rate off-base. Dollars are not usually accepted in areas away from the bases.

It is also advisable that you arrive in Okinawa with a small amount of yen (at least Y10,000) readily available, particularly if you arrive at Naha Airport and will be depending on commercial transportation or telephones. However, there is a free line at Naha Airport which rings directly to the base operator at Kadena.

Name: Finance Office, MCB, Camp S. D. Butler
Address: Unit 35001
City: FPO, FPO AP 96373--5001
Phone: 011-81-611-745-7513
FAX: 011-81-611-745-0233
DSN Phone: 645-7513/2348
DSN FAX: 645-0233
E-Mail: finance.office@mcbbutler.usmc.mil
WWW Link: http://www.mcbbutler.usmc.mil

At A Glance

Facility/Services Summary

<i>--Officer and Enlisted Population--</i>			
Active Duty Officer	642	Active Duty Warrant Officer	180
Guard Reserve Officer	0	Guard Reserve Warrant Officer	0
Retired (Officer and Enlisted)	0	Foreign Service Officers	0
Active Duty Enlisted	10	Guard Reserve Enlisted	0
Foreign Service Enlisted	0		
<i>--Civilians--</i>			
Civil Service	659	Wage Grade	73
Non-Appropriated Funds	825	Family Members -on and off Installation-	13
<i>--Family Services--</i>			
Family Centers	7	Teen Centers	6
Child Day Care	13	Family Child Care Certified Homes	95
Total Child Capacity	1155	Total Child Capacity	550
Average Waiting List Time -Months-	6		
<i>--Other Services--</i>			
Commissary	4	Exchanges	11
Shoppettes	12	Gas Stations	7
Movie Theaters	8	Banks and Credit Unions	14
McDonalds/Burger King	5	Other i.e. Exchange concessionaires	87

Housing Summary

<i>--Officer Housing--</i>			
Senior Officer Waiting	9	Senior Officer 3 Bed Room	559
Senior Officer 4 Bed Room	122	Senior Officer Other	0
Company Grade Officer Waiting	5	Company Grade Officer 2 Bed Room	0
Company Grade Officer 3 Bed Room	979	Company Grade Officer 4 Bed Room	147
Company Grade Officer Other	0	BOQ	42
<i>--Enlisted Housing--</i>			
Senior Enlisted Waiting	6	Senior Enlisted 3 Bed Room	1135
Senior Enlisted 4 Bed Room	233	Senior Enlisted Other	0
Enlisted Waiting	11	Enlisted 2 Bed Room	2092
Enlisted 3 Bed Room	2111	Enlisted Other	120
BEQ	67	Transient Lodging Facilities	3

Education Summary

<i>Name</i>	<i>Numbers</i>
Elementary School	8
Jr High/Middle School	2
High School	2

Local Community Summary

Type of Housing	Avg.	Low	High
Apartment Rent	1100	763	1525
House Rent	1100	1017	1695
House Price - Single Family	0	0	0
Townhouse/Condominium Price	0	0	0

Medical and Dental Summary

--Medical Facilities--					
Medical Treatment Facilities	Y	Number of Beds	116	Medical Clinic	10
Alcohol	Y	Allergy	N	Audiology	Y
Cardiology	N	Coronary care	N	Dermatology	Y
Dietary	Y	Emergency room	Y	Endocrinology	N
Family Practice	Y	General surgery	Y	Gynecology	Y
HIV Unit	N	Hematology	N	Immunization	Y
Infect Disease	N	Intensive Care	Y	Laboratory	Y
Mental Health	Y	Neonatal Intensive Care Unit	Y	Nuclear Medicine	Y
Nephrology	N	Neurology	N	Neurosurgery	Y
Obstetrics	Y	Oncology	N	Ophthalmology	Y
Optometry	Y	Orthopedics	Y	Otolaryngology	Y
Pathology	Y	Pediatrics	Y	Physical Therapy	Y
Podiatry	Y	Primary Care	Y	Radiology	Y
Rheumatology	N	Urology	Y		
--Dental Facilities--					
Dental Clinics	10	Adolescent	Y	Endodontics	Y
General Dentistry	Y	Oral Surgery	Y	Orthodontics	Y
Pedodontist	Y	Periodontics	Y		

Relocation and Support Services Summary

--Military Clubs--			
Officers Club	6	Non-Commissioned Officers Club	6
Enlisted Club	6		
--Recreation--			
Arts and Crafts	2	Automobile Hobby Centers	2
Bowling Centers	6	Recreational Centers	6
Libraries	6	Music and Theater Locations	8
--Physical Fitness/Sports--			
9 Hole Golf Courses	1	18 Hole Golf Courses	2
Gyms/Physical Fitness Centers	7	Jogging Paths	2
Tennis Clubs/Courts	5	Tennis Courts - Lighted	3
Swimming Pools - Public	10		
--Nature/Outdoor Activities--			
Outdoor Recreation Centers	2	Campgrounds	2
Fishing Areas	1	Horse Stables	0

APPENDIX

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